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JAPANESE SENTRIES searching a car and its occupants at Tientsin, before allowing the vehicle to proceed into the British Concession. Passengers were not allowed to take any foodstuffs into the Concession.

Hopes For Settlement Of Crisis In Tientsin Now Much Brighter

LONDON, June 27.

AS AN indication that some progress has been made in the conversations with Japan, Mr. Chamberlain to-day told questioners in the House of Commons that he hoped to make a further statement shortly regarding Tientsin.

The Premier declined to discuss current developments.

An official spokesman declared that, regardless of the blockade of Foochow and Wenchow, British vessels do not intend to forego their right to proceed anywhere in Chinese waters.

Japan has maintained a cold silence regarding the British suggestion that the Tientsin blockade should be lifted as a preliminary to negotiations, in return for which Britain promised a fair hearing of the Japanese grievances.—United Press.

Negotiations To Start?

LONDON, June 27.—"Reuter" understands that there is good reason to believe an announcement regarding the opening of negotiations in Tokyo over Tientsin, will be made in London and Tokyo during the next 24 hours.

It is reported in generally well-informed quarters that Japan has submitted two proposals. Firstly, Tientsin is not to be used for anti-Japanese intrigues by the Chinese; secondly, it is not to be used as a base to support the Chinese currency in opposition to the new Japanese currency.

It is understood that the Government cannot accede to the second proposal, but negotiations are beginning generally.—Reuter.

Japanese Declaration

PEKING, June 27.—The Japanese are reported to be preparing a declaration of some form in connection with the creation of a Federal Government of China on the second anniversary of the war on July 7.

According to usually well-informed Chinese political sources, Mr. Wang Ching-wel flew from the Shanghai area to Tientsin, from where he was taken to Peking, where he is expected to discuss plans with Mr. Wang Keh-min and Wu Pei-fu, representatives of the Japanese-sponsored Nanking Government.—Reuter.

British Climb Down?

LONDON, June 27.—It is stated in political circles here that the British Government is prepared to make considerable con-

LARGE ARMADAS of Japanese warships and transports are reported to have concentrated off the entrances to the Min and Ou Rivers, preparatory, it is believed, to major landings to-morrow.

Foochow, capital of Fukien Province, is thirty miles from the mouth of the Min River, while the Chekiang treaty port of Wenchow is approximately an equal distance from the mouth of the Ou River.

The Japanese have already occupied Sharp Peak at the entrance of the Min River, effectively blocking the entry or departure of any ships.

MISSIONS ON ISLAND

Two Missions—one British and one American—are on Sharp Peak Island, but it is believed that neither Missions nor occupants have been interfered with. There are nine American missionaries and 24 British, the latter including 19 ladies.

Sharp Peak Island is opposite the Pagoda Anchorage at Foochow. H.M.S. Duchess is at present the only foreign vessel there.

Confirming the reported concentration of Japanese warships, a "Reuter" message from Chungking states that 18 vessels have been seen off the Pagoda Anchorage.

The Chinese authorities believe that a major landing is imminent.

All Government offices have been evacuated inland from Foochow, as an attack has been anticipated for some time.

Civilians Leave

Civilians have also been evacuated. There is no confirmation from Chungking that the Japanese have occupied Chaochow, the inland terminus of the 28-mile long Swatow-Chaochow railway.

Chinese reports admit, however, that Japanese columns are advancing on the city.

C-in-C Returning

The Commander-in-Chief, China Station, Admiral Sir Percy Noble, is expected to arrive in Hongkong early this week in H.M.S. Kent, after attending the Singapore defence Conference.

It is presumed that the Commander-in-Chief will personally handle the question raised by the Japanese warning that all Third Power warships and merchantmen must leave Wenchow and Foochow before noon to-morrow.

The Japanese warn that the entrances to both the Min and Ou Rivers will be obstructed by booms and mines after their notification expires.

State Of Emergency

FOOCHOW, June 28: In view of the Japanese threat to Foochow, the Chinese military authorities have declared a state of emergency at the mouth of the Min River.

The harbour will be closed to shipping as from to-morrow.

General Chan Yi, Chairman of the Fukien Provincial Government, left yesterday on a tour to inspect Chinese defences along the eastern Fukien coast.

Chinese military circles are not perturbed by the Japanese landing at Sharp Peak Island at the entrance of the Min River. The island is about seven nautical miles from Chungking, the nearest town on the mainland. As it is situated beyond the Chinese boom in the Min River, the Chinese have built no defences on it.

A handful of Chinese fishermen live on the island.

The Japanese landing at the island yesterday morning was covered by heavy naval and aerial bombardment. Eight Japanese warships and a number of steam boats steamed to the mouth of the Min River and directed terrific shelling ashore while nine planes taking off from a Japanese aircraft-carrier flew over Lienkiang.

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ANGLO-RUSSIAN ALLIANCE NEAR

Birtain Agrees To Meet All Soviet Objections

PARIS, June 27.—It has been very reliably stated here that Lord Halifax has instructed Mr. William Strang, the British Foreign Office expert, to meet all the Russian demands and to conclude a tripartite alliance with the shortest possible delay.

It is said that Mr. Strang has received new instructions to-night to request an appointment with the Soviet Foreign Minister on Thursday.

The new instructions will empower Mr. Strang to make a nominal guarantee for the Baltic States.

Secondly, automatic mutual assistance which would enable the Soviet to initiate operations should the Baltic States or Poland or Rumania be threatened by aggression.

Thirdly, consultations and contacts among the General Staffs of the three Powers.—United Press.

Now Instructions

LONDON, June 27.—It is learned that new instructions are being dispatched to Sir William Strang and Mr. William Strang in Moscow this evening. It is expected these will permit of a further meeting with M. Molotov this week.—Reuter.

Labour Impatience

LONDON, June 27.—At a meeting in London to-day of the National Council of Labour, it was stated that the Prime Minister had been asked to receive a deputation.

It is gathered that the Council is anxious to stress the desirability of completing as soon as possible an Anglo-Russian pact, and instituting effective measures to deal with the Far Eastern situation.—Reuter.

Halifax Sees King

LONDON, June 27.—For the first time since his return from the Canadian tour, the King to-day received Viscount Halifax in audience at Buckingham Palace.

It is stated that in the course of the conversation which lasted an hour, the Foreign Secretary reviewed the international situation in detail.—Trans-Ocean.

Peace Safeguarded

PARIS, June 27.—"Thanks to the watch on our frontiers, peace has been safeguarded," declared M. Edouard Daladier, when he prorogued the Chamber until the middle of November.

The Premier was replying to a question why the Government considered special defence precautions to be necessary.

For 20 years, he said, the situation had never been so grave.

"At our frontiers there are 3,000,000 men, without counting the semi-concentrations larger than ever before. Within our frontiers there is propaganda, using racial and religious means and old prejudices in an attempt to break Anglo-French solidarity."

M. Daladier declared that he had mobilised no forces, but had recalled troops available. Two classes were undergoing instruction with the colours and were indispensable.

The Chamber voted the prorogation by 350 votes to 231.—Reuter.

WOULD AID BRITAIN

New Neutrality Legislation In U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—THE GOVERNMENT to-day introduced its Neutrality amendment bill to the House of Representatives, which faced the prospect of an all-night sitting to discuss the bill.

Introducing the measure, Representative Sol Bloom, acting chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said the Administration did not intend to enforce any cast-iron principles. The bill was open to any reasonable amendments, and those who felt it fell short of the ideal, were invited to suggest improvements.

Representative Hamilton Fish declared that the bill was a war-like measure which, in effect, allied the United States with Britain at a critical period.

Washington Quoted

"You cannot sell arms and ammunition to nations without ultimately getting into a war," declared Mr. Hamilton Fish.

Representative Bloom reported by reading Washington's neutrality proclamation of 1793, adding that the present bill was founded on Washington's principles, and the Administration shared Washington's anxiety to keep out of war.—Reuter.

Republican Support

Washington, June 27.—Representatives Sol Bloom, Acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, to-day predicted that 50 Republican members of the House of Representatives will join the Democratic majority in passing the controversial Neutrality Bill.

As the House considered the measure to-day, the legislative leaders discussed plans to hold a night session in an effort to clean up important measures.

Representative Bankhead said there have been some last minute changes in the Bill "because of the opinion they would strengthen the Bill and at the same time achieve its major objectives".—United Press.

LATEST

"Biggest Fire" In London

London, June 27.—What is believed to have been the biggest fire in the city of London since 1897 occurred in the Barbican, close to Fleet Street this evening.

The flames involved a mantle manufacturer's wholesale store, a jewellers and a milliners, and then leapt across the narrow New Zealand Avenue to a furnisher's warehouse.

Numerous women of the Auxiliary Fire Service and workers anxious to gain experience of a really big fire, enthusiastically assisted scores of regular fire engine teams.

Firemen, crawling like flies on the dizzy heights of the surrounding buildings, directed water on the furnace below until the streets were streaming six inches deep.

The fire occurred after normal business hours when the buildings were mostly empty, but there were many dramatic escapes.

The total casualties were four injured.—Reuter Special.

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£988 MILLIONS FOR ARMS

LONDON, June 27.—British expenditure on armaments from 1935 to 1938 inclusive amounted to £988,588,932, declared Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer to-day.

Of this amount £193,000,000, which is 19.5 per cent. of the total, were covered by loans.—Trans-Ocean.

New Attempts To Raise Thetis

LONDON, June 27.—Attempts to raise the sunken submarine Thetis are to be resumed on Thursday, if weather conditions permit.

Cammell Laird's have especially fitted a 3,300-ton steamer for salvage work.

The managing director of the company announced to-day that if it were possible to raise the submarine to the surface, it would be towed into shallow water at Red Wharf Bay off Anglesea Island.—Trans-Ocean.

MAYFAIR WOMAN'S NIGHT CLUB STORY



Here are six of the other seven Dionne children, with their parents and nurses, as they arrived in Toronto from Callander to meet the King and Queen. Left to right: Daniel, Rose, Pauline, Therese, Olivie, Jr., and Ernest.

£100,000 Deals In Postal Rarities

ONE business at least has not suffered from the crisis: the sale of rare stamps. The annual stamp "bourse," held in London every May, has spread from one floor of the Holborn Restaurant to two.

The gallery has been co-opted into service, for there are twelve more dealers' stands booked this year than last, 109 against 97.

Mr. Albert Harris, the organiser, said, "Although we had some last minute cancellations, we have sold our space over again. There were still a dozen applicants who could not be accommodated."

ONE WORTH £600

"There are between 20 and 30 nationalities here," he went on. "Several come from Germany, several from Italy, and one from Danzig. Egypt and India are both represented."

The dearest single stamp on view is a Guiana, priced at £600, not to be confused with the one cent.

Two-Mouth Fish Hooked

NEW ORLEANS.

R. L. Butler's most unusual catch—a catfish with two mouths—has been presented to the state museum. Butler, who caught the fish in the Mississippi river, was unable to say if a multi-mouthed fish increased the chances of the angler. He hooked the fish in only one mouth.

THE MAN IN HANDCUFFS

Theft of a pair of handcuffs was alleged against Albert Henry Gibbins, aged 33, at Bristol Police Court.

Superintendent Lush said that when Gibbins arrived on Whit Monday at a casual ward in Bath it was noticed that a pair of handcuffs dangled from one wrist. Bath police informed Bristol, where officers were already investigating the disappearance from a house there of gas-meter money and a pair of handcuffs.

Apparently, the Superintendent added, Gibbins had put on the handcuffs and was unable to get them off again. Gibbins was remanded.

Jail Labour Missed

ANADARKO, Okla.

A dance was held here to raise funds for the city's wood chopping project—a charity programme. Dance proceeds were allocated to pay men to cut wood for distribution for the needy. The work formerly was done by jail inmates, but the jail population has fallen off.

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£2,000 Ring Vanished, She Avoided A Fuss

MRS. GABRIELLE BURLEY, of Seaford Place, Park Lane, described in evidence at Marlborough Street Police Court recently incidents in a West End night club where she lost jewellery valued at £2,860.

All eyes were turned on her as she entered the witness-box and removed her gloves to take the oath.

She wore a blue summer frock trimmed with white and a small hat with white flowers and veil.

In the dock were Victor F. C. Hervey (23), of Upper Berkeley Street (son of Lord Herbert Hervey and nephew of the Marquis of Bristol); George Ernest Arthur Hervey (23), of Great Cumberland Place, W.; Geoffrey Coop (23), of Conduit Mews, W.; and William Goodwin (30), silversmith, of Holland Road, West Kensington.

Hervey, Herling and Goodwin are charged with being concerned with others not in custody in stealing jewellery valued at £2,860 from Mrs. Burley.

Hervey and Herling are also charged, with Coop, with being concerned with others in breaking into a flat in Queen Street, Mayfair, and stealing jewellery worth £2,500 from Mrs. Pauline Daubney.

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NEW CHARGES

The case was adjourned for a week, bail totalling £11,000 being continued.

Mrs. Daubney told recently how she missed the jewellery from her flat after spending a week-end in the country with Herling's sister. Evidence was also given by her brother, Prince Yurka Gallitzin.

Mr. H. A. K. Morgan (prosecuting) said that there were further accusations of conspiracy.

One against all four men was of conspiring together and with "Al" "Mo" and others unknown to steal the property of Pauline Vincent Daubney.

An additional charge accused Hervey, Herling and Goodwin only of conspiring together and with "Al" "Mo" and others unknown to steal the property of Gabrielle Burley.

AN OBJECTION

Mr. A. Kramer (for Hervey) objected.

Mr. Morgan submitted that there were ample facts to support a charge of conspiring with persons unknown.

Mr. Kramer said the only relative

evidence was of conversations at a restaurant directed purely as to what was described as "the Queen Street job."

Mr. Morgan said he would leave the matter of the further charge to the judgment of the magistrate (Mr. Sundbach).

Victor Wolf Konasny, head walter of the Nest Club, was questioned

about evidence at the recent hearing, when he told of a conversation he had in the street after an alleged meeting in a flat.

Hervey and Herling were not in the street with him, he said. "I left Hervey in the flat."

Mrs. Burley said in evidence that in April she was introduced to Walter, who later introduced her to Hervey and Herling. On several occasions they came to her flat.

"I LOATHE WHISKY"

On Wednesday, April 12, after going for a drive with Walter, she returned to her flat and changed. Walter arrived, they had a cocktail and then went to the Ritz cocktail bar.

Mr. Morgan: Were you joined by any of the defendants at the Ritz, either Hervey or Herling?—I think Peter Proud (Herling) was there and Hervey came in a little later.

At the Ritz she had two Martinis.

Asked by Mr. Morgan if she had a whisky, Mrs. Burley replied, "No, I loathe whisky."

Later she had a cocktail at another hotel.

Mr. Morgan: At that time how were you? Had you had enough to drink or not?—Yes, quite enough.

"QUITE HAPPY"

Before going to the Nest Club they had some food at a restaurant and some white wine.

Mr. Morgan: How were you then?—Quite happy.

At the club she danced most of the time with all three of them until the cabaret started. Then Hervey was on her right, Herling on her left and Walter at the end of the table.

"Hervey said, 'Have a drink,'" added Mrs. Burley. "I asked him what he was drinking and he said rye whisky. I said I loathed rye whisky, but he said it was different and added: 'Have some of mine.' I had a sip and did not like it." He said, "Have some more of it."

Mrs. Burley said she became very dazed and did not see the cabaret.

HER OWN IDEA

After the cabaret she wanted to go to the cloakroom, and Walter, who accompanied her, went back to fetch her handbag. She had put her ring in the bag.

Mr. Morgan: Was that your own idea?—Quite.

She valued the ring at £2,000. She had been wearing a pair of diamond dress clips valued at about £800.

She thought she missed the clips in the cloakroom, and that the ring had gone from her bag when she returned to the table.

Mr. Morgan: What attitude did you take up? Did you want inquiries made?—No, I did not want a fuss made.

She added that the four of them went by taxi to her flat, where she made them some tea.

600 WRIST WATCH

Mrs. Burley said she also missed a wrist watch worth about £60.

She remembered Hervey going to a table just behind and talking to the people. That was after she had pulled herself together and before she had discovered her loss.

She remembered a woman and three men at the table.

The Magistrate: Look at the men No. 3 and No. 4 in the dock (indicating Coop and Goodwin) and tell me if you recognise either of them?—No, I do not.

Mr. Kramer: You never mentioned anything to the others at the other table?—I think I did, but I am not sure.

Is it not the truth you had no recollection of that incident at all?—No.

You are not suggesting that the rye whisky seemed to be making you particularly drunk?—I am not suggesting anything. I am only telling you what it did to me.

Detective-Sergeant William Barrell, replying to Mr. Franks (for Coop), denied that he said to Coop: "Hervey and Herling have implicated you; you had better come clean."

Inspector Charles Berry said that when Goodwin was arrested he had one £10 note, 30 £5 notes, three £1 notes and a ten-shilling note.

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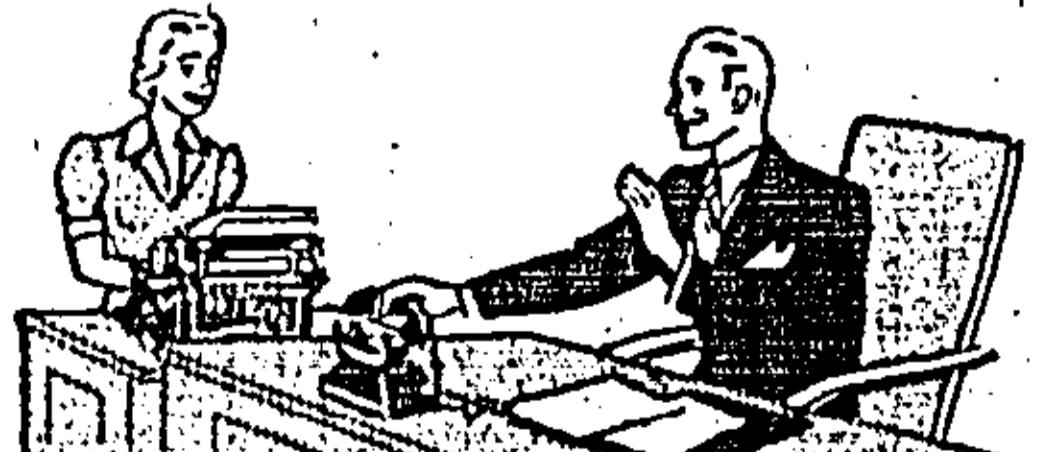
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Ten nations met at a conference at Broadcasting House recently to try to end this strange state of affairs. At the invitation of the British Standards Institution they discussed an international agreement on concert pitch.

It is an old problem. Fifty years ago musicians were complaining that they had to change the pitch of their instruments according to the country. And the difficulty still exists.

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At present the standard A of different countries varies from 435 to 442 cycles per second.

An official of the British Standards Institution said: "The varying degrees of concert pitch have caused chaos in the musical world for years."

"British interests are agreed to a standard of 440 cycles, but we want to make it an international standard."

Japanese Occupation Of Hainan

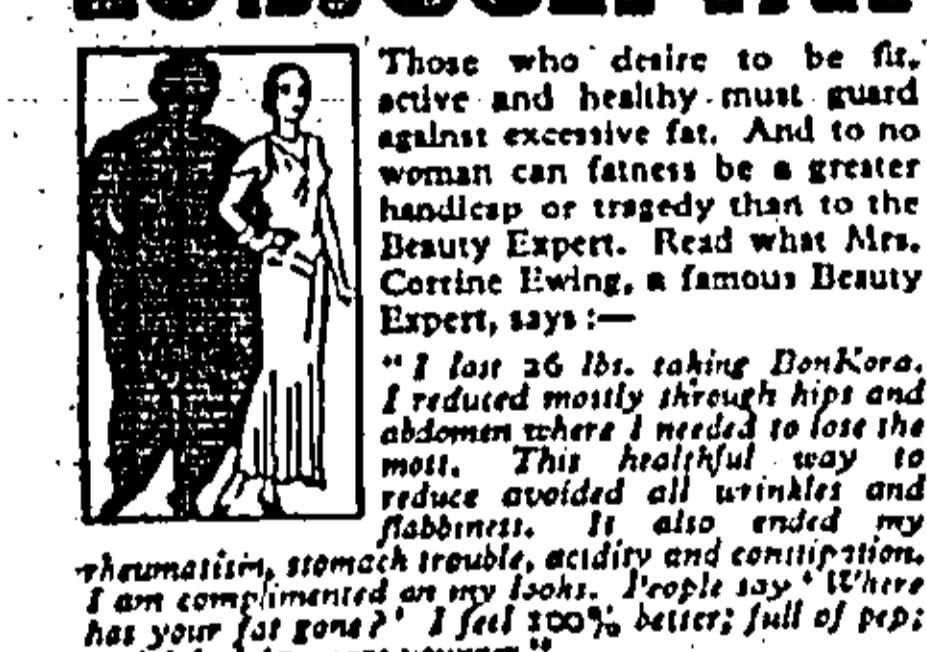
London.

A further question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the Japanese occupation of Hainan:

Mr. W. Roberts asked the Prime Minister whether he can make a statement with regard to the extent of the occupation by the Japanese of Hainan Island and the Spratley Islands and whether any joint discussions with the French authorities have taken place with regard to it; and, if not, whether such discussions will be considered in view of the threat to the interests of these two countries in the Far East?

Mr. Butler: According to my noble friend's information the island of Hainan has been only partially occupied, while it appears that there has been no actual military occupation of the Spratley group by Japanese. His Majesty's Government are keeping in close and constant touch with the French Government in this matter.

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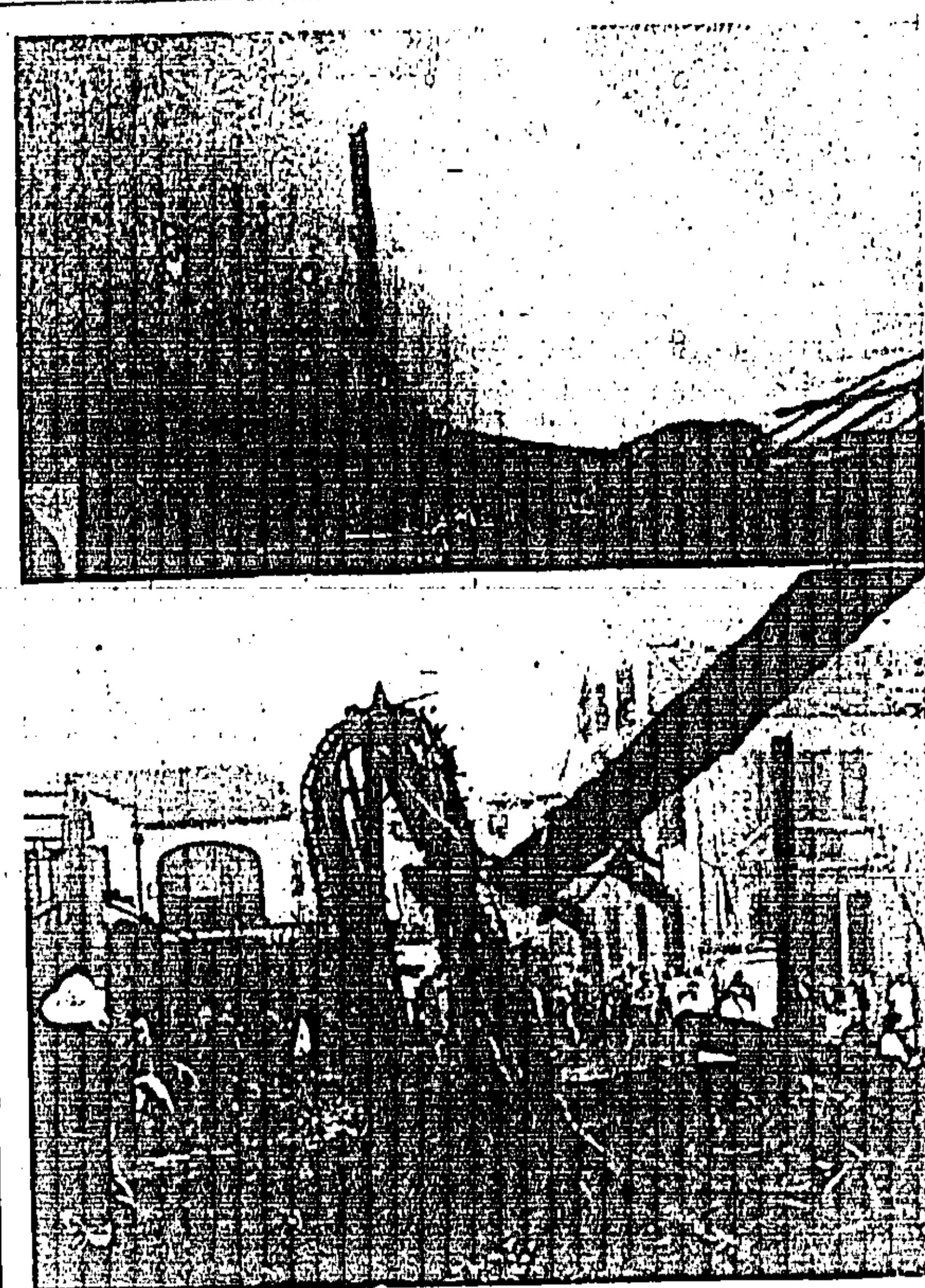
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WORLD'S ART DICTATOR DEAD



Two Carpet Bags Laid Family Fortune

ASTRONOMY may be said to have linked two famous Britons who died recently—Lord Duveen and Sir Frank Dyson.

Sir Frank Dyson was the mathematician who, as he once said, "drifted into astronomy" and became Astronomer Royal in charge of Greenwich Observatory; Lord Duveen was the man who turned art into big business with "astronomical" prices for world-famous pictures.

Lord Duveen died at a London hotel at the age of 69. Sir Frank, who was 71, died while on a voyage from Australia to South Africa.

The fortunes of the Duveen family were laid by one Henry Duveen, who at the age of 12 was sent by his father from humble home in Holland with two large carpet bags filled with Delft blue china.

Pieces which had cost 5s. in Holland fetched £5 at Boston.

Joseph, the eldest of 14, was born at Hull and joined the firm at 17. He was later to become the first Baron Duveen of Millbank (where the Tate Gallery stands) because of his magnificent gifts to British museums and galleries.

Standing apart from all auction-room coterie and establishing his own "tradition" Duveen became a force which upset all the reckonings of connoisseurs and dealers—a virtual "dictator" in the art world.

SPECTACULAR DEALS

He launched the art boom of 1933 when he bought "Mrs. Siddons as the Tragic Muse" by Reynolds for £30,000 and paid £170,000 for Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" for America.

Other spectacular deals were:

£1,000,000 for the Gustave Doré collection (Italian Renaissance).

£500,000 for the Benson collection (Botticelli, Titian, Andrea Mantegna and Luini).

£285,000 for the Fragonard panels.

£175,000 for the Raphael Madonna.

Besides presenting pictures to the Tate and National Galleries, Lord Duveen added a new wing to the National Portrait Gallery, provided an extension for modern foreign art at the Tate, a gallery for the Elgin Marbles at the British Museum and an early Venetian gallery at the National Gallery.

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The master cook said early tea was on the bill of fare, and it was the cook's duty to prepare whatever was on it.

The court found Lance-Corporal Minear not guilty.

Morning Tea On Army Bill Of Fare

WHEN Lance-Corporal Roy Sidney Minear, 2nd Batt. Grenadier Guards, was brought up at a court martial at Pirbright, Surrey, recently, charged with striking Guardsman Horace Patrick Chandler, the following story was told by Chandler.

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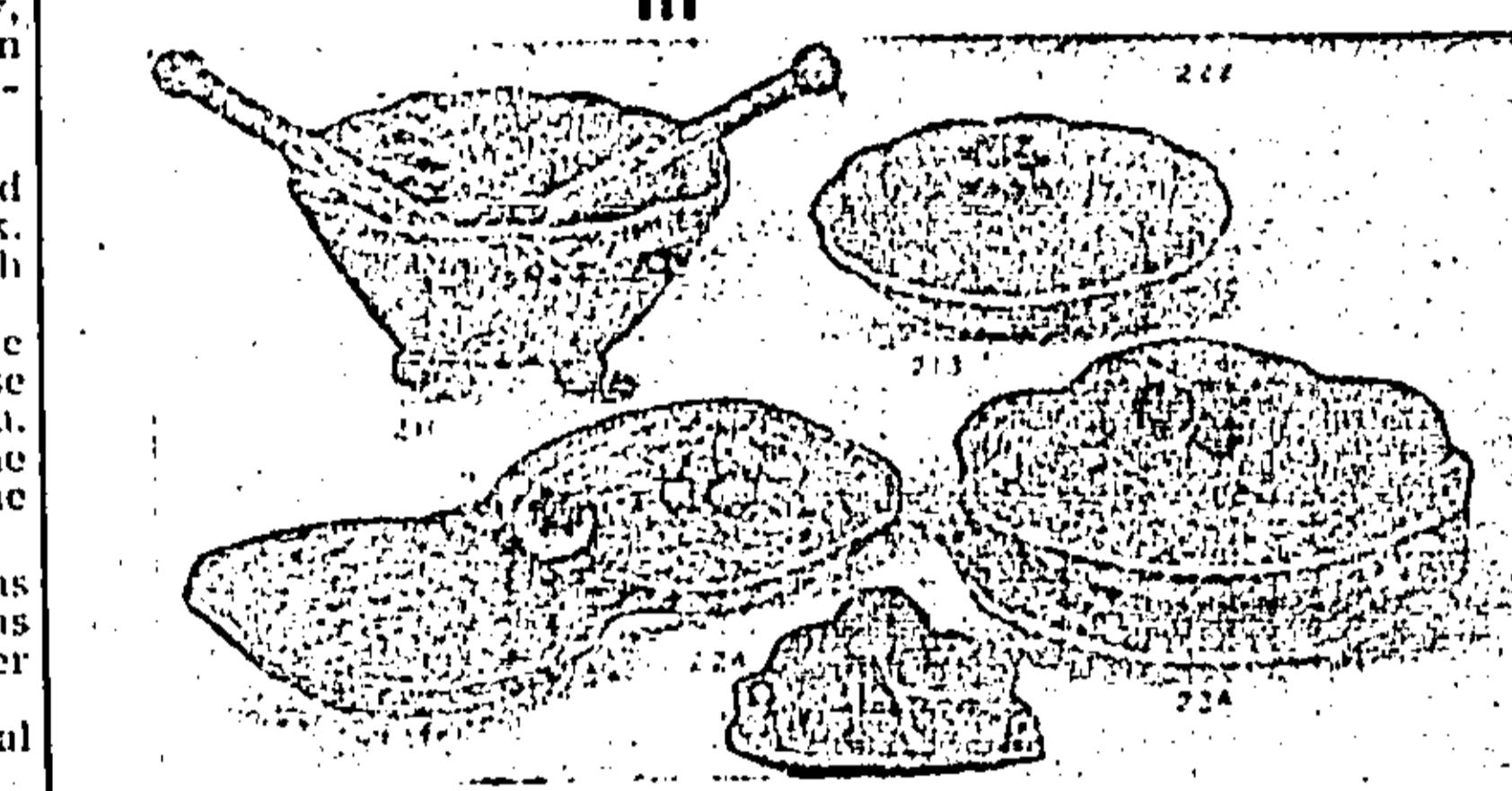
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Raymond Massey's Wife Goes To Reno

New York.

MRS. RAYMOND MASSEY—Adrienne Allen, the actress arrived at Reno recently to establish residence preparatory to seeking a divorce.

Raymond Massey is at present appearing in the principal role in the famous Pulitzer Prize play, "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," by Robert Sherwood.

Mrs. Massey has taken a cottage on the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe, where she will spend the next six weeks—the period necessary to establish residence.

There is no indication as yet as to the grounds for the action.

Raymond Massey, one of the most popular actors of to-day both on stage and screen, and Adrienne Allen were married nine years ago.

They have two children, who were both born in England—Daniel, now aged five, and Anna, who is not yet two.

Mr. Massey, who is Canadian born, is a brother of Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner in London. He is 42.

Last year he scored a great success in London in "Idiot's Delight," while in 1934 both he and his wife appeared in "The Shining Hour."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating with—

The Hon. Secretary, H.K.C.P.C., The Old City Hall, Queen's Road C, Hongkong, or the Inspector, 49, Pokfulam Road, 1st floor, or the Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre, Wan Chai, or the Inspector, 12, Tai Yung Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

EZI Woman to run Oxford College

FOR the first time in the history of Oxford or Cambridge a woman has been appointed Bursar of a men's college.

Bailott College, Oxford, have given the post to Miss A. Bradbury, who has been stewardess of Caius College, Cambridge, for five years. She will be in charge of the entire domestic arrangements of the college.

Slim, very fair and efficient, Miss Bradbury has 30 men and women on her staff in her present post at Cambridge.

"She buys all the food, prepares all the menus and supervises the cooking for 400 students." I was told yesterday. "She does the accounts and pays all the wages as well."

"She is very popular and Caius will be sorry to lose her."

HOPES FOR SETTLEMENT OF CRISIS IN TIENSIN NOW MUCH BRIGHTER

(Continued from Page 1.)

cessions to Japan in connection with settling the Tientsin incident by negotiation, because the British Cabinet has come to the conclusion that intensification of the conflict in the Far East must be avoided under all circumstances.

It is declared that the British Government is now prepared to hand over to the local Chinese puppet authorities the four Chinese suspected of complicity in the murder of an official of the pro-Japanese Government in North China.

Moreover, London is said to be disposed to agree to co-operate with the Japanese in repressing terrorist elements inside the British concession in Tientsin.

However, these concessions would be conditional upon the immediate removal of the blockade at Tientsin, and the postponement, at least for the time being, of further Japanese political demands regarding British policy in North China.

Authoritative quarters also state that Mr. Chamberlain, within the next few days, will be in a position to announce the beginning of negotiations for settlement of the Anglo-Japanese incidents.

It is confirmed that the negotiations will take place in Tokyo, conducted by Sir Robert Craigie.

The Cabinet at its weekly meeting on Wednesday will decide on the details of the British concessions to Japan.—Trans-Ocean.

EMPIRE NEWS

EXTENSIVE CUSTOMS FRAUDS

MOMBASA.

As the result of inquiries here extensive Customs frauds have been revealed. One important firm will shortly face a trial. The case is stated to be one of many, and it is believed that 30 cases are pending.

The method of the frauds is alleged to be the issuing of two sets of invoices, one accurate and one false, for the Customs.

It is believed that the revelations will involve well-known firms over long periods.

Statement on Defence.—The Governor of Kenya, Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, has promised to make a full statement on defence preparations when the Legislative Council meets on Tuesday.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

FLOODLIGHTING THE VICTORIA FALLS

SALISBURY.

There is much controversy over the proposal to floodlight the Victoria Falls for the celebrations next year of the Golden Jubilee of the occupation of the colony.

The Jubilee Committee decided to make an experiment of floodlighting on a small scale. This has been criticised by some people who think this will vulgarise the falls. Others contend that it will be a great attraction.

AUSTRALIA

\$1,100 STOLEN FROM GOLD-MINE

KALGOORLIE, Western Australia.

Mugged bandits armed with rifles entered the gold room of Hannan's North gold-mine, near here, recently, held up an employee on duty and trussed him up.

They then took 130oz of gold, valued at £1,100.

NEAR NEW ZEALAND

£4,500,000 LOAN FOR PUBLIC WORKS

WELLINGTON.

The lists for the New Zealand Government's £4,500,000 internal 4 per cent. loan closed recently, being fully subscribed.

The money is to be used for public works and general development purposes, including capital expenditure on defence.—Reuter.

11. No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the competition.

12. Entries in the Children's Section must bear the entrant's name, age and address on the entry form, counter-signed by a parent.

13. Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the Sunday Morning Post are not permitted to compete.

14. The decisions of the Judges shall be final.

15. At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.

New York. Richard Greene, the British film star, has been injured in an unusual car accident in Hollywood.

He was working at the radiator of his parked car when the brakes of a car in front loosened, allowing the car to roll back and crush him between the bumpers.

Greene was taken to hospital with both legs badly bruised, the cartilage torn, and a bone below the left knee chipped.

Twentieth Century Fox have suspended production of Greene's present picture until he is able to resume work.

LETTERS

"THETIS" DISASTER FUND

To the Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,
The above Fund was closed on the 24th June, the total contributions received being \$4,520.00.

At our request the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation have very kindly remitted the sum of \$277,151.10 (being the equivalent of \$4,520.00 ex. 1/2 3/4) to their London Office, with instructions to them to send this sum on to the Lord Mayor's Fund as a donation from sympathisers in Hongkong, together with a copy of our appeal, and a complete list of the contributors.

We desire to take this opportunity of thanking His Excellency the Governor and all the other contributors for having so kindly responded to our appeal, and the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for their kind efforts.

The final list of contributions is appended below:

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Mr. Strauss explained that his action in presenting the bill arose from the "deplorable affair of Czech gold transfer to Germany."—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued 4 p.m. Tuesday says:

The tone of the market was firm all day with a good enquiry which was not satisfied at the close.

Buyers
H.K. Bank \$1,325.
Raubs \$840.
H.K. Lands 4% Debentures par.
H.K. Tramways \$10.00.
China Lights (old) \$8.20.
H.K. Electric \$56.
Canton Ices \$1.
Watsons \$8.45.
Wing On (H.K.) \$41.
H.K. Govt. 4% pm.

Sellers
Canton Ins. \$230.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$105.
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H.K. Bank \$1,335.
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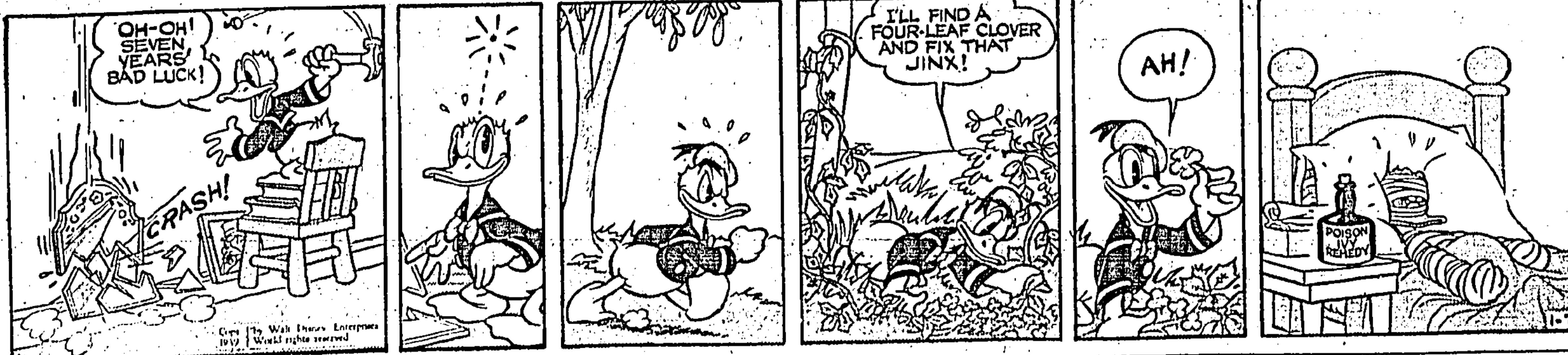
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PROTECTION RACKET

Serious Charges Against Water Police Employees

The story of an efficiently organised racket, operated by 18 Chinese, to extort money from opium divan proprietors to protect their establishments from being raided, was told by the prosecution at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when seven men, Tong Po, Li Tai, Au Kwok, Wong Loi, Yuen Kam-sui, Chan Kwai and Wong Tai, described as employees of the Water Police Station, were charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen with extortion.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, conducted the prosecution, and Mr. C. A. Russ represented the defendants.

Mr. Prentis said the charges against the defendants were exacting and extortion. They were charged separately, Tong and Li in respect of 68, Woosung Street, Tsim; Wong Loi and Chan in respect of 135, Temple Street, Tong and Yuen in respect of 137 Woosung Street, and Au, Wong Loi and Chan at 592, Canton Road.

The conspiracy, the prosecution alleged, was that the seven defendants, who were members of the Water Police, with other members unknown formed a society, which was known as "Sap Pa Yau" (18 friends), whose purpose was to extort money from opium and heroin divans, under threat that if money was not forthcoming their divans would be raided. These men supplied information to the Import and Export Department, and the divans were raided accordingly.

Broken Glass

On May 23, said Mr. Prentis, about 6 p.m. Sergeant Dinsdale was on duty at Saigon Street and was approached by a woman. He followed her to 68, Woosung Street, first floor. The sergeant found Tong and Li in the rear cubicle, and broken glass on the floor. A complaint was made to the sergeant and the two men were brought to the station.

Lam Kwok, keeper of the divan, said at the time of the two men's entry, he was washing his hands in the kitchen. He was pointed out to the two men by a woman tenant as the operator of the divan. The men demanded \$5.

Lam refused to pay money as he had no business lately, but asked what was the purpose of giving them \$5. The two men replied that they had to pay a weekly fee of \$2.

A man called on 15 Woosung Street and was told that the master was out by the folk. A few days later, the place was raided by Acting Sub-Inspector Mottram on Information. Two men then went there and demanded \$15. Kwan Yue, the master, gave them \$2, and was told that he had to pay a weekly fee of \$2.

On May 29, 15 Water policemen were paraded, and the defendants were identified by the divan keepers who were alleged to have been victimised by the defendants, concluded Mr. Prentis.

The hearing was adjourned to this afternoon.

FOUNTAIN PEN THEFT Self-Control Association Leader in Court

The Chairman of the Self-Control Association, of the Matauchung refugee camp, lost his own self-control and found himself before Mr. E. Hinshaw at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with the theft of two fountain pens and a wrist watch, from refugees of the camp.

Sergeant C. Dowman said that Lau Piu-hok, 36, was elected to be the Chairman of the Self-Control Association, and had done good service in the camp. The position he held there entitled him to access to the complainants' camp.

The complainants reported the loss of the articles, and Lau was suspected, as he was the only person allowed in the camp used by the complainants. When Lau's trunk was searched by the police, two pawn-tickets relating to the pens and the watch were found.

In English, Lau told his Worship that he had worked very hard in the camp without wages, and was attacked by a number of refugees a few days ago. He stole the articles to raise money to buy medicine for the wounds he had sustained.

His Worship, saying that as Lau was a man of good character and had done good work in the camp, he would give him another chance, and bound him over in \$50 to be of good behaviour for a year.

THE 9.10 FROM MANCHULI

(Continued from Page 6)

throughout, while between Omsk and Moscow a considerable proportion is still only single track. Moscow itself is improved out of recognition since my first visit in 1930, when the streets were full of enormous potholes, the buildings tumbledown, the shops empty, and the population were an expression of despair.

Now, the boulevards are in good order, most of the buildings have been either renovated or pulled down to make room for workmen's flats, while the shops have, at any rate, something to sell, though the prices seem so prohibitive that one wonders how anyone can afford to buy.

Send to Poland for Food

WE go to the opera, which is not only excellently produced but crowded to capacity at prices ranging from £2 down to 10s. At the best hotel in town Soviet citizens are lurching and dining, although a plate of soup costs 5s. and a portion of meat and potatoes 8s.

At the British Embassy I am told that if they want to give a special dinner party they have to order the meal from an hotel in Warsaw and send a messenger into Poland to bring it.

A newspaper correspondent who dines with me says the eggs which comprise our omelette cost 1s. 6d. each, the carrots likewise. That, with black bread and coffee imported from abroad, composes our meal.

By special arrangement with the Soviet authorities, foreigners resident in Moscow are allowed to bring in an occasional hamper with drinks, tinned goods, and fruit, and this is really the only thing which enables them to carry on.

A New Outlook

THE foreigners who discuss the situation with me all express the opinion that the Soviet outlook has greatly changed during the last two years, and that Communism in its original form is nearly extinct.

They also agree that the movement of troops and munitions eastwards into Siberia indicates that Moscow intends to enter the triple alliance with France and Great Britain, whatever demands may be put forward during the negotiations.

The Government, I am told, have executed during the past two years nearly 60 per cent. of their senior officers, so it is doubtful how efficient the army which is trekking to the East may prove to be.

A.R.P. EXAMINATION Successful Candidates In Recent Tests

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces the following results of A.R.P. examinations taken by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade:

Passed the Air Raid Warden Instructor's examination—Miss Pun Sau-fung, 232 Hollywood Road; Mr. So Tai-kuen, 2 Perfection Place, Tal Hang; Miss Tsui Shun-woh, 42, Ta Ku Ling Road; Mr. Chen Klim-wun, Gloucester Hotel Reception Room; Mr. Paul Chak, 2 Perfection Place; Mr. So Chung-shun, 11, Blacksmith Lane, Causeway Bay; Miss Chan Sau-ping, 61, Connaught Road West; Mr. Leung Chung-ye, 44, High Street; Mr. Tsui Long-chiu, Vernacular Middle School.

Passed the Air Raid Warden's examination—Miss Tong Kwan-chun, 117 High Street; Miss Leung Sze-yu, 31 Sharp Street East; Mr. Lam Chung, Government Stores Department, Wanchai; Mr. S. P. de Roberson, Kowloon-Canton Railway.

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H. K. T. 12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Beethoven—Sonata in G Major, Op. 30, No. 3

Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).

12.47 London Philharmonic Orchestra.

Eleven Viennese Dances (Beethoven)...conducted by Felix Weingartner.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra and Bing Crosby.

Kissies Are Dewdrops—Quicksilver; Why Stars Come Out At Night—Slow Fox-Trot (ilm "Big Broadcast of 1936")...Victory Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; The Funny Old Hills (ilm "Paris Honeymoon"); I Have Eyes (ilm "Paris Honeymoon")...Bing Crosby (Vocal) with Or-

chestra; Poor Butterfly—Slow Fox-Trot...Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Brother, Can You Spare A Dime (Harburg and Gorney); Home On The Range (arr. Gulon)...Bing Crosby (Vocal) with Orchestra; What A Night—Waltz; We're Friends Again—Quickstep...Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Latest Dance Music and Varieties.

Fox-Trots—I Hear You Talking; Call Me A Taxi...Four Of The Bob Cat...Vocal—Laugh, Clown Laugh (ilm "Follow your star"); De Lord Loves His People to Sing...The Street Singer with Orchestra and Chorus; Orchestra—King Rose—Selections...Felix Mendelssohn and His Orchestra; Vocal—Go For That (ilm "St. Louis Blues"); Let's Dream (ilm "The Moonlight (ilm "St. Louis Blues")); Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Jungle Drums; Back Bay Shuffle...Artie Shaw and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from The Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(n) Mist is over the Moon; (b) Chopsticks; (c) In-Between; (d) Huggin' and Muggin'.

6.14 Record: Passepied (Delibes); Leonhardt; Destiny—Waltz (Baynes—arr. Alice); ...Alice and Leonhardt on Two Pianos.

6.21 (a) One day when we were young; (b) One Rose; (c) Drum Stomp; (d) Ya Got Me.

6.33 Records: Hot Pie...The Six Swingers; "King of Burlesques" Medley...Piano Duet by Jack Wilson and Jimmy Leach.

6.44 (a) Who Blew out the Flame; (b) If I had you; (c) Thanks for Everything; (d) Christopher Columbus.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Vocal Gems from Popular Musical Comedy.

"Peggy Ann"—Vocal Gems (Rodgers); "The Girl Friend"—Vocal Gems (Rodgers); "Viktor and His Hussar"—Vocal Gems (Abraham); "The Love Parade"—Vocal Gems (Scherzinger); "Sunny Side Up"—Vocal Gems (De Sylva and Henderson); "New Moon"—Vocal Gems (Hammerton and Rosenberg); Light Opera Company cond. by Nathaniel Shilkret with Orchestra.

7.30 Light Orchestral.

"Caliph Of Bagdad"—Overture (Holst)...Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Clemens Schmitz; Impression—D'Oriente—Descriptive (Amadei); Souvenir D'Ukraine—Descriptive (Ferricelli); Armando Di Plante and His Orchestra; Czar Ivan (arr. Maurice Brodsky); Where The Woods are Green (Brodsky, arr. Ferraris)...Maurice Igor and His Nomad Orchestra; The Singer's Joy (Johann Strauss, Op. 228); Fire Festival—Polka (Josef Strauss, Op. 269)...Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Orchestral.

Furiant ("Schwanda"—Weinberger).

Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech.

8.10 Studio—Chopin Piano Recital by Nura Kanis.

1. Elude in C Sharp Minor; 2. Berceuse in C Sharp Minor; 3. Berceuse, Op. 57; 4. Fantasie Impromptu; 5. Mazurka in F Sharp Minor, Op. 59, No. 3; 6. Mazurka in A Minor, Op. 67, No. 4.

8.35 Schubert—Symphony No. 8 In B Minor ("Unfinished").

Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

9.00 London Relay—Empire Exchange.

By the Lord, Halley, G.C.M.C., G.C.I.L., G.C.E.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 The Mills Brothers.

Julius Caesar (Rogers); Sixty Seconds Got Together (Livingston, David); Functul Functul (Deniz); Asleep In The Deep (Lamb); Shine (Brown and Dadney)...with Bing Crosby.

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 B.B.C. Recording—West End Cabaret.

With Eddie Atherton; May, June and Julie; The Mystery Singer; The Two Charlades; Madge Stephens and Peggy Rhodes; Clifford Stanton; Queenie Leonard and Edward Cooper; Madge Muller at the Piano; Piping by Ex-Pipe Major Massie; Philip Wade as a Taxi-driver; Ord Hamilton and his 20th Century Band and Interruptions by Leonard Henry as the Visitor. Devised and Produced by Cecil Madden.

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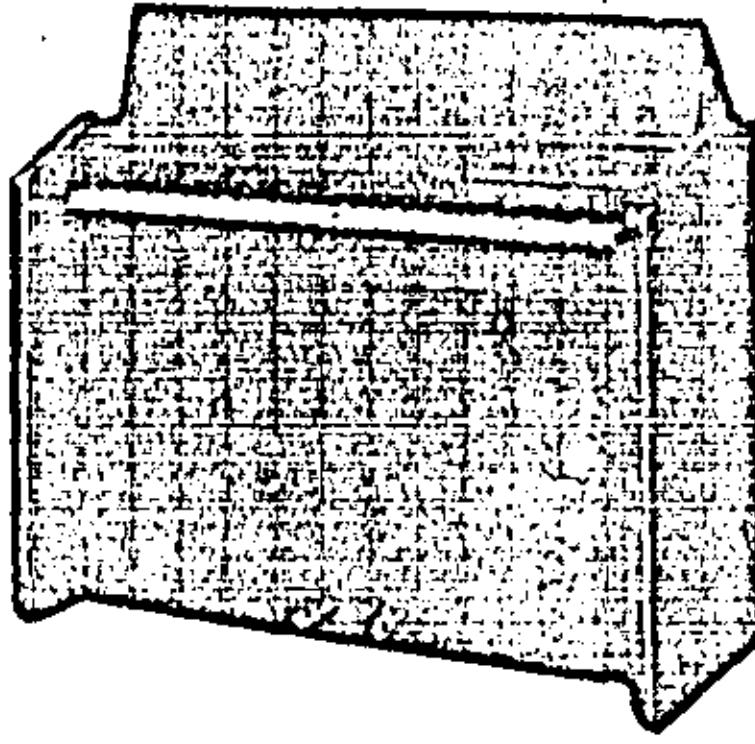
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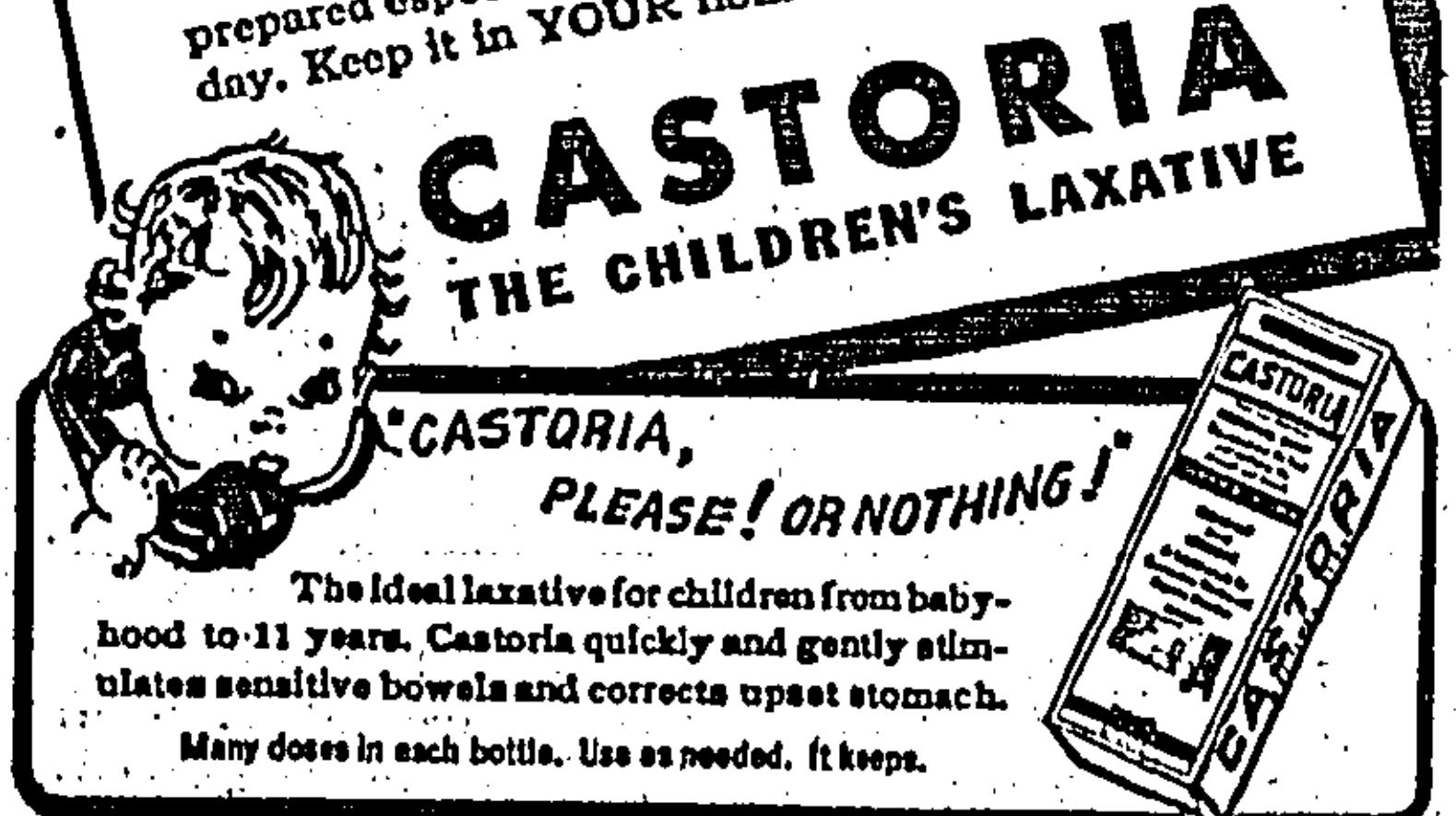
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Blockade Threat

THE REASON for Hongkong apprehension that Britain will not insist that the Japanese blockades of Canton, Kongmoon, Kulangsu, Tientsin and the Yangtse River ports should not be extended to the treaty ports of Swatow, Foochow and Wenchow is evident when an examination of the trade figures for these three centres is made.

Any stoppage of shipping with any of these southern ports will have a serious effect on this Colony, not merely from the point of view of trade, but by virtue of the fact that we are now almost entirely relying on them as our sources of food supplies for the abnormal population we have to support.

Trade figures for the first six months of 1938 are not available. But an examination of the official figures for 1938 is illuminating. The total import and export trade of the three ports last year was £5,743,530, comprising £1,647,962 imports and £4,095,568 exports. Of the exports, Hongkong took over twenty-five per cent., this Colony's total being £1,717,932.

It is an interesting fact that, during 1938, Hongkong took 95 per cent. of the total exports of Foochow and Wenchow—food-stuffs valued at £514,348 out of a total of £520,825 from the former, and valued at £402,180, out of a total of £444,483 from the latter.

Any Japanese blockade of these ports means, therefore, that Hongkong has to turn elsewhere for its food supplies. And, with the Japanese net gradually drawing tighter along the China coast, there is nowhere else to turn.

The United States, Netherlands East Indies, United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, Germany and France are all interested in the import trade of the three treaty ports threatened by Japan. Last year the United Kingdom exported goods to the value of £508,900 to Swatow, £7,630 to Foochow and £34,108 to Wenchow. Her imports from the three ports amounted to £1,132,057.

Next to Hongkong, however, the principal country interested in the blockade is the United States, which from Swatow alone imported goods to the value of £1,132,057.

It is this very important trade that Japan is now seeking to destroy and divert to herself, as she has already done in other parts of China.

It behoves not only Great Britain but all the interested Powers to see that the rape of their trade in Canton and the Yangtse Valley is not repeated on the coast.

The 9.10 from Manchuli

ACCOUNT OF THE WORLD'S MOST EXCITING RAIL JOURNEY

by Lawrence Impéy

TWICE a week, at 9.10 of a morning, there pulls out from Manchuli, on the Manchukuo border, one of the world's most remarkable trains—the Trans-Siberian express.

I have just travelled home from Peiping to London by this exciting overland route, and my diary of the trip has some strange entries now I come to look back on it. Here's a sample:

We are a motley gathering as we leave Manchukuo. Mostly women, some with children, wives or daughters of men who are remaining in Dairen, Tientsin, Shanghai, or Hongkong, to watch their business interests at this critical time. One or two among us are business men dashing to London, Paris, or Berlin to inform our office headquarters of conditions in the Far East.

We have our baggage turned topsy-turvy by the Manchukuo Customs officials, and now submit to the same critical examination at the hands of the Soviet "comrades."

What they expect to find in it is hard to imagine, as the items which attract most attention are a book of family snapshots and any form of personal letters, which they endeavour to read with the utmost interest.

Money, of course, is counted and recounted and entered on an official form signed by both parties. And then we change our sterling at the rate of 12 roubles to the £—1s. 8d. per rouble at frontier value.

One unfortunate woman has unguardedly allowed her porters to carry a box of chocolates, a tennis racket, a bag of oranges, plus her suit-cases, and protests bitterly at a bill of 12s. for portage.

We who are wiser festoon ourselves with packages. A police officer from Hongkong strides manfully along with a dozen bottles of beer in one hand and a supply of whisky and gin dangling from the other. He will have the laugh on us later, when we get to Soviet Russia, where beer costs 5s. 6d. a bottle and is unbelievably bad-at that.

A Woman Alone

WE sort ourselves into our compartments, and fresh complications arise. A British woman is alone in a compartment, as also is a British man. Soviet authority swoops down on this waste of space and demands that they share a coupe.

The suggestion is bitterly opposed by the woman. The Soviet reply, "In that case we may have to put a Russian man in your coupe at some stage of the journey; you had better put up with your fellow-countryman."

To which the woman, confusing the issue, skilfully counters, "A Frenchman or a German or a Russian conceivably, but an Englishman never. It would get all round town, and my reputation would be ruined forever."

This diplomatic evasion bewilders the Soviet, who retire to consider the matter, and finally compromise by producing a Russian woman with two children, all three to occupy the upper bunk.

The train departs well behind time, but nobody seems to care, and presently we go along to the dining-car. Here we produce food coupons bought outside Russia, which entitle us to a meal at reduced rates.

Caviare—with Luck

THERE are even two categories of tickets obtainable, the better grade entitling us to caviare with our meal, supposing there is any. To-day our luck is in, and the caviare is forthcoming, enabling us to look down our noses at the passengers whose tickets do not entitle them to it.

But, to our astonishment, the proletariat are up and coming,

If you wanted to travel from the Far East to London you could choose one of these three routes:

1—By TRAIN to Manchuli, there to join the Trans-Siberia Railway to the Polish frontier. Total time, Hongkong to London, 16 days. Fare £32 if bought in yen, or £55 if bought in sterling.

2—By SEA liner to England via Suez. Total time 5½ weeks. Fare £115.

3—By AIR Hongkong to Bangkok and flying boat to London. Time 7 days Hongkong to London. Fare £145.

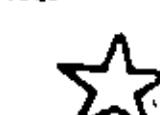
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BALANCE
of Naval
POWER

By Lt.-Commander
HUGH LONGDEN, R.N., Retd.

THE United States is taking steps to become the Mistress of the Seas, and it is suggested that she is going to form an Atlantic Fleet—which might be an excellent thing for the peace of the world.

We must admit that she is Mistress of the Pacific, but Great Britain is still Mistress of the other Six Seas.

America has just announced officially that she has ordered three 35,000-ton battleships, and we can assume they will be ready in about three years. In addition to this I learn—though it has not yet been officially stated—that she is about to lay down two 45,000-ton battleships, and these will be the biggest in the world.



At present the United States Navy has 15 battleships in commission and two almost completed, the North Carolina and the Washington, which are similar in size and armament to the three that have just been ordered.

The United States Navy has no battle cruisers comparable with our own Hood and Renown.

Great Britain has 12 battleships and three battle cruisers in commission, five battleships building (due to be ready in 1940), and two more authorised and about to be laid down. Thus in two years' time we will clearly be superior to the United States Fleet in capital ships, though they will have caught up with us by 1942.

Starting with the future and working backwards, we have the Lion and Temeraire, the two battleships authorised by the 1938 programme, but not yet ordered.

They will be of 40,000 tons—slightly smaller than the two unborn but projected American ones—and will carry 16in. guns.



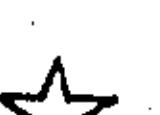
THEN last year we laid down the five I have mentioned, which are known as the King George V type. They consist of the King George V, the Prince of Wales, Anson, Jellicoe, and Beatty, which will be 35,000-tonners, mounted with 14in. guns and 21in. torpedo tubes, and will carry aircraft. It is officially stated that "their anti-aircraft armament will be extensive," but I cannot yet tell you their speed.

Then we came to the latest battleships in commission, the Nelson and Rodney, twins, both just under 34,000 tons.

These are of course the most powerful battleships in the world, which is not surprising as they each cost £7,500,000 to build, and the annual cost of their maintenance in full commission is approximately £350,000.

It is interesting to note that they are the only ships in any Navy with torpedo tubes of more than 21in. The range of their guns is 17½ sea miles, and the cost of firing one triple salvo is £700. (In the event of war, taxpayers please note!)

Next in order of seniority we come to our three battle cruisers, the Hood, Renown, and Repulse, of which the latest is the Hood, completed in 1920—the most powerful battle cruiser in the world. She was built under the War Emergency Programme at a cost of £6,000,000, or £145 per ton, as she is 42,000 tons.



THE Renown and Repulse are smaller 32,000 tons. Next are the five Royal Sovereign class, the Ramillies, Royal Sovereign, Royal Oak, Revenge, and Resolution, completed in 1916-17.

And finally we have the five good old ships of the Queen Elizabeth class—Julian, from the Queen Elizabeth, Malaya, Valiant, Barham, and Warspite. They all carry four aircraft, with catapults, except Barham, which carries one.

These ships cost £3,000,000 to build originally, but since then they have been considerably altered and modernised.

We have five aircraft-carriers in commission, including the Ark Royal (just finished), and five building, including the Implacable (just ordered). The new ones will be 23,000 tons—slightly bigger than the Glorious and Courageous—and they will each carry about 80 planes.

The United States Navy has only three carriers in commission and three building.

As for cruisers, we have 15 mounting 8in. guns, and 45 mounting 6in. guns, as well as 14 building and seven ordered of these. The United States has 18 mounting 8in. guns (one building) and 10 mounting 6in. guns (two not completed).

Of destroyers we have 187, and 32 building (most of which will be ready late next year), whereas the United States has 210 in commission and 35 being built.

Lastly we come to submarines, motor torpedo boats, and submarine chasers.

We have 52 submarines, and 12 building. America has 91, and 10 building. She has 15 submarine chasers, and we have 8 M.T.B.'s, and 24 building.

SIX months ago there were said to be at least half

a million Russian soldiers in

Eastern Siberia. And to judge

by our own experience, this

number has been largely aug-

mented recently. During the

four days which our train takes

to cross Siberia we pass on the

average three trains an hour

proceeding eastwards and carry-

ing munitions, aeroplane parts,

tanks, lorries, and motor

launches fitted with light arma-

ments.

To this must be added one

cavalry and one infantry divi-

sion, plus various auxiliary

troops.

It seems that the Soviet au-

thorities intend Siberia to be

a self-contained military area,

for the railway from Manchuria

to Omsk is double track, with

tunnels and bridges doubled.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



and lorries are to be seen at all the larger stations. The crops are better, there are cattle in the fields, and peasants are working on the land which was untilled before.

Much of this is probably accounted for by the new Soviet policy of sending divisions out to the East together with their womenfolk, and allotting to them on arrival certain tracts of land, which they are more likely to each other that they will get a rebate or a pass, the more so when we discover that the champagne costs £3-10s. a bottle.

But the three officers seem quite happy, and at the end of the meal they produce wads of notes and pay up in the normal manner, which leaves us more bewildered than ever, particularly when we are told that a colonel gets only 1,000 roubles or so per month.

£16 a Pair of Shoes

THE whole way across Russia this problem of prices arises to confuse and aggravate us. Milk at the wayside stations costs 1s. 8d. a pint, and even bread is about 1s. 6d. a loaf. Cabbage is selling at 10s. a lb., a pair of shoes cost £16, and no one outside the upper bunk.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

All Soviet Demands May Be Met

London, June 27. That Britain has decided to meet all the Soviet demands is inferred from the Tuesday morning papers. In reports which indicate official inspiration, the diplomatic correspondents declare that, following a conference of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons, Sir William Selsky, the British Ambassador in Moscow, would be instructed to request a new interview with M. Molotov.

Sir William would inform M. Molotov that Great Britain is prepared to give an explicit guarantee to the three Baltic States, to be enumerated by name.

The guarantee is to be contained in an appendix to the alliance pact which is not to be published. In addition, Great Britain is prepared to enter into General Staff discussions immediately after the conclusion of the pact.

The papers report that political quarters in London are of the opinion that under these circumstances an agreement would be reached in the very near future.—Trans-Ocean.

Propaganda Work

Butler Explains To Press Union

London, June 27. The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, addressing the Empire Press Union on the Publicity Department of the Foreign Office, said, "We do not aim at any factory propaganda." The word "factory" gives the impression that something is being made up. We rather aim at a studio where pictures of ourselves can be taken."

Speaking on the Government's foreign policy, Mr. Butler pointed out that in the League system there was provision for peaceful change. "To-day we are not against change, but we are against change by forceful methods," he added.—Reuter.

Importance Of Press

London, June 27. Mr. Butler said that the Press was gaining a more defined place in its relationship to the Government, and seemed to be establishing for itself a more and more definite place in the Constitution.

"In some other countries," he said, "this closer relationship is marked by issuing uniforms to journalists and Press photographers, but here the link is one of confidence."

Continuing, Mr. Butler said, "Our chief virtue is a wish for peace. The British Empire is like a large family and has much the same feeling that a large family would have if its aims are not aggressive and it doesn't want uncertainty, yet it must look to the future—the future in which there can be some sort of security, particularly for its younger members who are growing up."

"We hear in the east and west demands for a New Order. The objective of the Empire is something even greater than that. Our objective is that of world order."—Reuter.

JAPAN'S FINANCES Control of Huge Funds For Coming Year

Tokyo, June 27. The National Planning Council is formulating a plan for the control of funds during the current fiscal year with a view to accommodating a total of yen 1,000,000,000 for the execution of important Government enterprises, including the disposal of productive capacity.

It is estimated that yen 600,000,000 will be needed in absorbing public loans, while the proposed expansion of productive capacity requires about yen 400,000,000.

While unnecessary funds, or those which are not urgently needed, will be restricted, funds necessary for public enterprises will be mobilized positively on the strength of the Temporary Fund Adjustment Act and Article 11 of the National General Mobilisation Act.

Efforts will be made to increase popular deposits in banks, post offices, trust companies, credit societies, insurance companies and other monetary organs.—Dowell.

FUND FOR RELIEF Chinese Commander Gives Reward of \$70,000

Nanyang, Honan, June 27. General Huang Yu-chou who has been awarded \$70,000 Chinese currency by order of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for his bravery on the battlefield has telephoned to Madam Chiang, Chairman of the Women and Children Relief Association, offering the fund for relief purposes.—Central News.

Tercentenary

Barbados, June 27. Barbados is celebrating to-day 300 years of representative Government.

Both Houses of Parliament sent a message of loyalty to the King, and a message of good wishes to the House of Commons.

Stained glass windows with portraits of the King and Queen and King George V will be added to the portraits of other British sovereigns in the Barbados House of Representatives.—Reuter Bulletin.

SINGAPORE TALKS

Admiral Noble Leaves

Singapore, June 27. Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, Chief of the Australian Navy Board, arrived here to-day and attended a meeting of the Defence Conference, which is ending to-night when H.M.S. Kent with Admiral Sir Percy Noble and Major General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., on board, is sailing for Hongkong and later for Wellington.

The French cruiser Lamotte Picquet, with Admiral Dehoux on board, is sailing north next Thursday.—United Press.

Kont Leaves Singapore

Singapore, June 27. H.M.S. Kent has sailed.—United Press.

Australian View

Singapore, June 27. Vice-Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, First Naval Member of the Australian Naval Board, interviewed to-day, said that Singapore is vitally important for the security of the Commonwealth which was therefore tremendously interested in the Anglo-French Defence Conference.

The Vice-Admiral said that he was on his way to London to report to the Admiralty concerning the discussions and decisions connected with the defence of Singapore.

Sir Ragnar Colvin arrived aboard H.M.S. Swan and spent two to three hours in discussing with Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief, China Station, the decisions of the recent Pacific Defence Conference in New Zealand in relation to the Anglo-French talks.

He leaves for London on Friday and in the meanwhile he will continue the talks with the Staff Officers.—United Press.

JAPANESE SALMON Further Questions In House Of Commons

London, June 27. Questioned again in the House of Commons to-day regarding Japanese tinned salmon, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade pointed out that there was no power to require such imports to carry the name of the country of origin unless they bore the name of a firm or trade mark which purported to be that of a United Kingdom firm or any name or place in the United Kingdom.

Mr. T. Johnson (Lab., West Stirling) produced a tinned salmon label and pointed out the words "foreign produce" only, stamped in very small type, and asked whether it was not desirable that the British public, in view of what was going on in the Far East, should be made aware of the character and origin of the goods they were buying.

Mr. Stanley replied that, quite apart from this question, he was considering the possibility of amending the law in that direction and hoped shortly to be able to announce his decision.

Comparative Figures

Mr. Stanley in reply to further questions said the House had to look at the question from all angles. There was a very strong feeling in the English industry at the time of the Merchandise Mark Act that there were many cases in which the obligation to mark goods with the name of the country of origin actually harmed firms.

Mr. Johnson urged that something be done before the end of the session and said the bulk of the goods were lying in London and he wished the sale of those goods already here might be stopped. Mr. Stanley promised early attention would be given to the matter.

In later questions Mr. Stanley said tinned salmon from Canada totalled 105,000 hundredweight to the value of £511,000 in the six months ending May 31, 1939, and from Japan 283,000 cwt. to the value of £079,000.

On the subject of Japanese trade generally, Mr. Stanley said that in the year ended March 31 the merchandise from Japan was slightly over £9,000,000 in value. These figures were slightly down on the previous 12 months, and very much down on the 12 months before that.

Mr. D. Kirkwood (Lab., Dumfriesshire) asked to which party of importers these goods belonged—Tory or Socialist.

Mr. Stanley replied, "I can only tell him that one of the purchasers of Japanese salmon is the Co-operative Society."—Reuter.

Wednesday, HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

Tientsin Quieter

JAPANESE STILL DENY BARRIER INDIGNITIES

Tientsin, June 27. Lieutenant General Masaharu Homma, Commander of the Tientsin Garrison, told the Press that there were no substantiated reports of barrier indignities. Nevertheless, to-day he issued new orders to the sentries stating that stripping was not necessary for a sufficiently thorough examination.

He exploded the theory that the local military group is acting independently, by stating that the Tokyo Government had ordered the present restrictions.

Explaining that he was not informed of any result of the Anglo-Japanese negotiations at Tokyo or elsewhere, General Homma said that he was unable to reveal the "trump cards" by discussing the conditions for lifting the restrictions. However, he declared that the Japanese people and also the Government were satisfied with Great Britain's "pro-Chiang Kai-shek policy."

General Homma emphasized that Tientsin was not "blockaded," the Japanese merely imposing "traffic restrictions" at the Concession boundaries for the purpose of preventing the use of the British Concession by Communists and anti-Japanese elements, which purpose has "been avoided."

He reiterated that there was no intention of halting food supplies though the barrier inspection would necessarily cause delays.

Referring to the stripping, without admitting that it actually occurred, General Homma pointed out that some sentries and also Chinese policemen who do the actual searching, are simple peasants whose ideas of modesty differ from those of foreigners. He said that the Japanese did not hesitate to disclose publicly, even in the presence of both sexes, and offered as an example the mixed baths in Japan. He jokingly offered to illustrate by displaying before the 40 assembled correspondents, but the correspondents agreed to take his word for it.

He declared that any British reprisals will not alter the Japanese determination and pointed out that the restrictions are flexible and could be tightened if desired.

General Homma is a huge man for a Japanese, weighing perhaps 200 pounds. He spoke fluent English, having spent six years in the Japanese Military Attaché's Office at London. He was also a member of the Japanese delegation to the Coronation of King George VI.—United Press.

Non-Commital

Tientsin, June 27. The Commander of the Japanese Garrison in Tientsin to-day received 18 foreign correspondents and faced a barrage of pointed questions regarding the isolation of the British and French Concessions.

Queried what definite formula could be formulated for settling the currency question in the British Concession, the Commander said that the matter was under study.

He hinted at the desirability of increasing the conversion of Federal Reserve notes into foreign currency. The Chinese legal tender was popular because it could more easily be converted into foreign currency, the Commander added.

A foreign reporter asked how long the isolation would continue, to which the Japanese Commander replied that it would be kept up until the Japanese object was attained. Asked about the attitude of the German and Italian residents toward the Japanese isolation, the Commander voiced appreciation of their sympathetic understanding of the Japanese stand, as well as their readiness to co-operate with the Japanese.

Questioned as to whether, if Britain retaliated against the Japanese, Japan was determined to enforce the isolation until a settlement was secured, the Japanese Commander said that discretion dictated him not to commit himself in any definite way regarding the question.

Referring to the reported role of the White Russians in the Tientsin affair, the Japanese Commander said that they had no connection with the Tientsin affair. White Russians maintained full sympathy and readiness to co-operate with Japanese in executing anti-Comintern policies, the Commander added.—Dowell.

No More Indignities

Tientsin, June 27. The commander of the Japanese forces at Tientsin stated to-day that he has given fresh instructions to sentries stationed on the borders of the Concessions.

He said that he thought that it was unnecessary to strip foreigners to search them. He added that the Japanese authorities had no intention of preventing the entry of foodstuffs to the Concessions, and that freedom of the river was maintained.

He concluded that the blockade would be continued until the Japanese demands were met.

Fifteen European passengers, who arrived in Tientsin on Friday by a coastal steamer, were allowed to land to-day.

Food aboard the ship was running short on Sunday, but the Japanese refused any one to land as they stated that they wished to examine the cargo of the vessel.—Reuter Bulletin.

Testimony Of Tientsin Woman Resident

The assurance, on her own knowledge, that discrimination was being shown against British subjects in the Tientsin blockade was given by Mrs. Johnstone.

Palestine Unrest

Jerusalem, June 27. Five persons were injured when a bomb placed in the mail box of the Syrian Orphans' Home of the German Mission exploded with a tremendous detonation this morning, tearing a large hole in the wall of the building.

An Arab merchant was shot by unknown persons last night when he was closing his shop quite close to the police station.

In Haifa an Arab was shot and killed last night.—Trans-Ocean.

New Japan-Australia Trade Pact

Tokyo, June 27. It is revealed from authoritative sources that a new understanding has successfully been concluded between Japan and Australia with a view to adjusting the trade relations between the two countries.

No specification is understood to have been made in the new understanding with regard to the term of its operation. It follows, therefore, that it will remain in force until, and unless, either of the parties unilaterally abrogates it.

The present arrangement provides: Japan import two-thirds of her wool imports from Australia; Japan's export of cotton textiles and rayon, including staple fibre textiles, to Australia be restricted annually to 51,250,000 square yards; Australia apply medium tariff to imports of cotton and rayon from Japan;

Principle duties be five per cent. ad valorem, as in the past.

With the existing arrangement expiring at the end of June, the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Robin Akynna, at Sydney, by order of his home Government, opened negotiations on July 7.

The Australian Government has agreed to adhere to the existing formula concerning import of Japanese goods for the time being—Dowell.

Extended For Year?

Canberra, June 27. It is learned on good authority that substantial progress was made on Monday in the trade negotiations between Japan and Australia and that conclusion of a new agreement replacing the existing one which expires at the end of this month will be officially announced simultaneously at Canberra and Tokyo this afternoon.

The negotiations have been conducted here between Mr. Robin Akynna, the Japanese Consul-General at Sydney, and the Minister for Trade and Customs of the Australian Government at Canberra. Informed quarters understand that under the agreement the existing arrangement will be extended for another year—Dowell.

Mutual Agreement

Canberra, June 27. Australia and Japan are not entering into the new trade agreement to replace the present one, expiring on June 30.

Japan, however, has given a voluntary undertaking to grant to Australia two-thirds of her total wool imports, and to maintain the same control of exports of piece goods to Australia as has operated since the beginning of 1937.—Reuter Bulletin.

HONGKONG REFUGEES

Over 800 Accommodated At San Uk Ling

The numbers of refugees and destitutes accommodated in the Government camps in urban and rural areas are given officially as follows:

In urban areas, civilians—King's Park 1,470 for the week ending June 24, as compared with 1,392 on June 17; Malauching 1,080, as compared with 1,013, and North Point 1,018 as compared with 1,029.

In urban areas, soldiers—in Lai-chik-took Hospital (upper ward) three on June 24 as compared with seven on June 17; Malauching 704, as compared with 570.

In rural areas.—At Kam Tin 4,024 on June 24 as compared with 4,036 on June 17, and San Uk Ling 897 on June 24 as compared with 880 on June 17.

The grand total is 8,855, compared with 8,317 on June 17.

EVACUATING CITY

All Civilians Out Of Chungking by Friday

Chungking, June 27. The authorities announce a deadline of June 30 for the evacuation of civilians from Chungking will be fully enforced. Individuals not complying with the order will be liable to prison sentences or fines, while shops and businesses will be ordered to suspend business.

Garrison Headquarters are planning special agents in the city boundaries to examine all arrivals in order to ascertain whether they possess permits.

Most foreign residents have received permits from their Embassies, although some report difficulty in obtaining these for their servants.—United Press.

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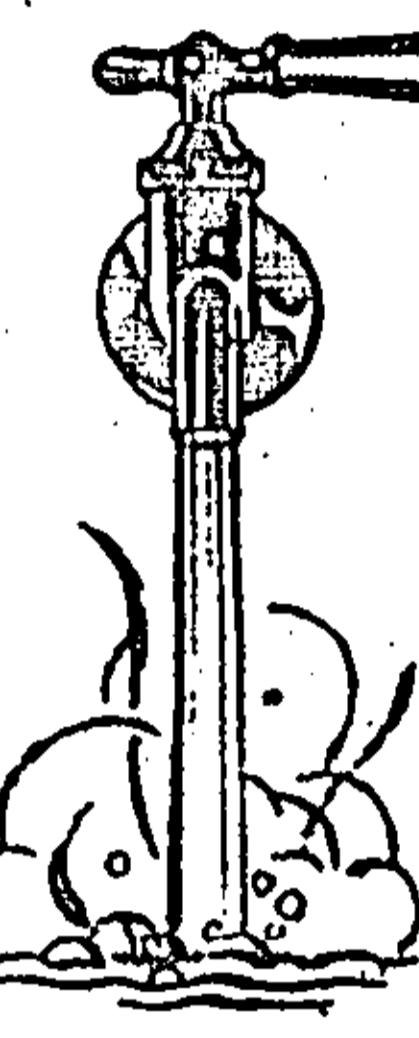
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ENGLAND WINS FIRST TEST BY 8 WICKETS

George Headley Scores A Century In Each Innings

Despite a splendid effort by George Headley, who scored 107, the West Indies were dismissed for only 225 in their second innings in the First Test match at Lord's yesterday, and England obtained the necessary runs for victory with eight wickets in hand.

This was Headley's second century in the match as he made 106 out of 277 in the tourists' first innings.

England declared at Monday's overnight score of 404 for five wickets, and therefore required only 99 runs in the second knock.

At one stage of the match, the West Indies appeared to have a good chance of forcing a draw, but apart from Headley no-one else in the side was able to face the hostile English bowlers.

London, June 27. England declared at their overnight total of 404 for five wickets this morning on the third day of the First Test against the West Indies, holding a lead of 127 runs on the first innings scores.

At the lunch interval the visitors had lost three wickets for 117.

Stollmeyer and Grant opened the second innings of the visitors, and without a run being scored Stollmeyer was caught by Verity off Copson.

Headley and Grant made matters lively until 42 was reached, when Grant was bowled by Bowes. The retiring batsmen contributed 23.

Sealey joined Headley and the partnership produced 63 runs, when the newcomer, who had made 29, was caught by Wood off Copson.

Weekes was next man in and he had six runs to his credit. Copson was the most successful English bowler with four wickets for 67 runs, while Wright had three for 75 and Verity two for 20.

RUNS HIT OFF

Requiring 90 runs to win, England opened once more with Hutton and Gimblett. When 35 had been put on, Hutton was bowled by Hylton after making 16, and four runs later Gimblett had his stumps disturbed by Martindale. The Somerset man had made 20.

Then Paynter and Hammond became associated in a partnership which made up the necessary runs

WEEKES DISMISSED

After lunch, Headley and Weekes took the score to 154, at which stage the latter struck a ball from Verity into the hands of Wood behind the wicket, Weekes had contributed 16. Constantine then came out to join Headley, who was batting splendidly. Playing very orthodox cricket, Constantine was tiling no chances whatsoever at the start, but with the total standing at 100, he was caught by Hammond off Verity. He and

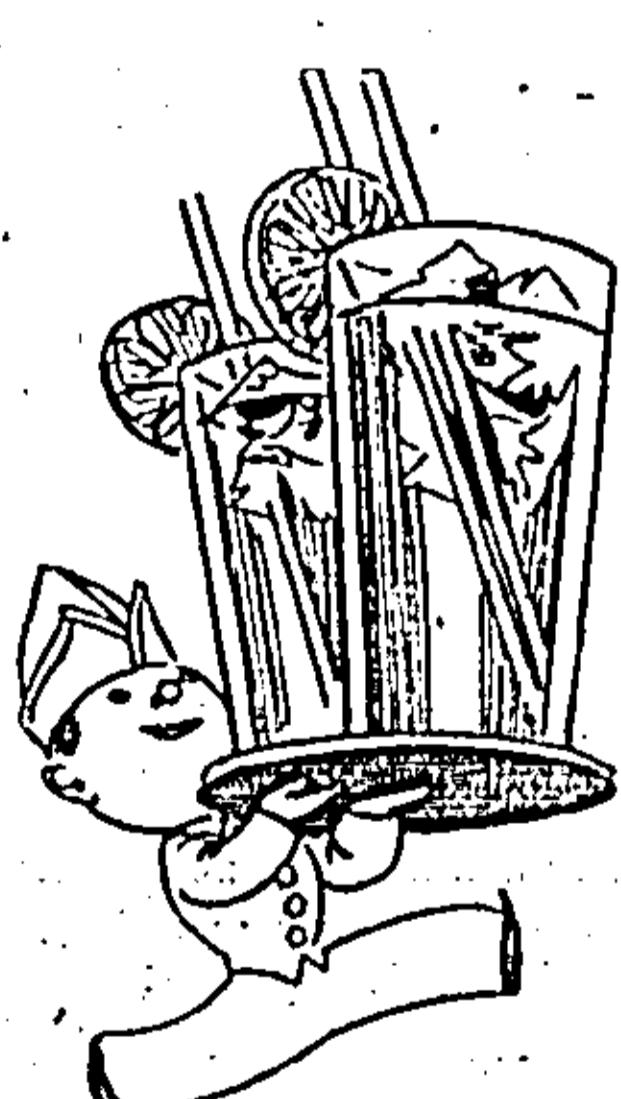
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CAREY ROLLS A GOOD WOOD

A. E. Carey, the Police skip, rolling a good wood in the League match on Saturday against Kowloon Docks. J. C. Brown, the opposing skip, can be seen behind.—Staff Photographer.

SPLENDID BOWLING BY SMAILES IN COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 27.

Smailes, who finished sixth in Yorkshire's bowling averages for last season, made history to-day when he took all 10 Derbyshire wickets to dismiss them for 47 runs in their second innings against Yorkshire, who won by 276 runs, at Sheffield.

Barber had six to his credit. Copson was the most successful English bowler with four wickets for 67 runs, while Wright had three for 75 and Verity two for 20.

SCORING BOARD

West Indies—1st Innings—277
England—1st Innings—277

L. Hutton, c Grant, b Hylton ... 100
H. Gimblett, b Cameron 22
E. Paynter, c Barrow, b Cameron 34
W. R. Hammond, c Grant, b 14
R. H. Constantine, c H. Gimblett, b 120
D. Compton, c Stollmeyer, b 120
J. Hardstaff, not out 3
A. Wood, not out 0
Extras 15

Total (for 5 wks., dec.) .. 404

Fall of wickets.—1 (Gimblett) for 49; 2 (Paynter), for 119; 3 (Hammond) for 147; 4 (Compton) for 395; 5 (Hutton) for 402.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
Martindale 20 2 88 0
Hylton 24 4 98 1
Constantine 13 0 67 0
Cameron 20 6 66 3
Clarke 6 0 28 1
Sealey 3 0 21 0
Grant 3 0 23 0

WEST INDIES—2nd INNS.

Stollmeyer, c Verity, b Copson .. 0
Grant, c Bowes 23
Headley, c Hutton, b Wright 107
Sealey, c Wood, b Copson 29
Weekes, c Wood, b Verity 16
Constantine, c Hammond, b 17
Verity 17
Cameron, c Wright 0
Barrow, not out 0
Martindale, c Bowes, b Wright 3
Hylton, c Martindale, b Copson 13
Clarke, c Martindale, b Copson 11
Total 225

Fall of wickets.—1 (Stollmeyer) for 0; 2 (Grant) for 42; 3 (Sealey) for 105; 4 (Weekes) for 154; 5 (Constantine) for 100; 6 (Cameron) for 102; 7 (Headley) for 200; 8 (Martindale) for 204; 9 (Hylton) for 255; 10 (Clarke) for 225.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.
Bowes 10 7 44 1
Copson 10 4 2 07 4
Wright 17 0 75 3
Verity 14 4 20 2
Compton 3 0 8 0

ENGLAND—2nd INNS.

Hutton, c Hylton 18
Gimblett, b Martindale 20
Paynter, not out 32
Hammond, not out 39
Extras 2

Total (for 2 wks.) 100

Fall of wickets.—1 (Hutton) for 35; 2 (Gimblett) for 39.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.
Martindale 7 0 51 1
Hylton 7 1 30 0
Constantine 3 0 11 0

NO SPECIAL RULES FOR BIG FIGHT

New York, June 27.

The New York Boxing Commission has declined to pass any special rules for the fight between Joe Louis and Tony Galento on Wednesday.

It announces that the referee has the right to disqualify anyone committing a major foul. It ignores Joe Jacobs' demand to be allowed to bring scales to the ring to weigh Louis' gloves.—United Press.

Kho Scratches From Men's Doubles

London, June 27. Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese Davis Cupper, who scratched from the singles at Wimbledon owing to a back injury, has also scratched from the men's doubles. His partner was to have been G. Lyttelton Rogers.—Reuters.

"SEEDED" PLAYER DEFEATED IN FIRST ROUND

London, June 27.

The second day of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships was favoured by brilliant sunshine, and was as usual chiefly reserved for the ladies. Queen Mary was again present and witnessed some of the best matches of the day.

The Polish champion, Miss Jadwina Jadzrejowska, playing on the Centre Court in the opening match, defeated Madame Mcleester, of Belgium, by 6-3, 8-6.

Miss Gem Hoaing, of China, after winning the first two games in her match with Mrs. Sperling, of Denmark, was beaten by 2-0, 0-6.

Madame Mathieu, the French champion, scored a comfortable victory over Frau Porokova, of Bohemia and Moravia, by 6-4, 6-1, while Mrs. Dorothy Round Little, who won the title two years ago, entered the second round by beating Miss Stevni, of Britain, by 6-1, 6-6.

The most spectacular struggle in the men's doubles was that between Jean Borotra and Jacques Brugnon, the veteran French pair, and Roderich Menzel and Goepfert, of Germany. The Frenchmen succeeded after nearly two hours by scores of 2-0, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

Miss Alice Marble, of the United States, who is favoured to win the women's title, got through to the second round by beating Mrs. Klein Jacobs, of the United States, also known as Miss Haycock, of Britain, by 6-0, 6-2.

FULL RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S TIES

The following results of yesterday's matches at Wimbledon are cabled by Trans-Ocean.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

Miss Hamilton (Britain) beat Miss Underwood (Britain) 6-2, 7-5.
Miss Curry (Britain) beat Miss Durlack (Britain) 6-4, 5-7, 10-8.

Miss Palmer (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Goodwyn (U.S.A.) 6-0, 6-0, 6-3.
Miss Mary Hardwick (Britain) beat Miss Thomas (Britain) 10-8, 6-4.

Miss Sarah Petry (U.S.A.) beat Miss Von der Heyde (Germany) 6-2, 6-2.
Miss Susan Noel (Britain) beat Mrs. Thomson (Britain) 6-2, 6-0.

Miss Sargent (Britain) beat Miss MacPherson (Britain) 6-0, 6-4, 6-2.
Miss Huntbach (Britain) beat Miss Jean (Britain) 6-0, 6-4, 6-2.

Miss MacPherson (Britain) beat Miss Harrington (Britain) 6-4, 6-2.
Miss Stollmeyer (Germany) beat Harvey (Britain) 2-0, 6-1, 6-4.

Miss A. M. Yorks (Britain) beat Miss Grover (Britain) 6-0, 6-2, 10-12.
Miss Dorothy Round Little (Britain) beat Jarvis (Britain) 6-0, 6-0.
Miss Beasley (Britain) beat Miss Rodway (Britain) 6-7, 6-1, 6-0.

Miss O'connell (Britain) beat Miss M. Dearman (Britain) 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.
Miss Kroc (Yugoslavia) beat Signorina Tonello (Italy) 6-2, 6-4.

Miss Ellis (formerly Senator Anita Lanza) beat Miss McKelevy (Britain) 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Stammers (Britain) beat Miss Middleton (Britain) 6-0, 6-2.
Miss Hammerley (Britain) beat Miss Batt (Britain) 6-3, 6-2.

Miss Troumer (Britain) beat Mrs. Strawson (Britain) 6-3, 6-1.

Miss Peters (Britain) beat Mrs. Curtis (Britain) 6-1, 6-2.

Miss Gould (U.S.A.) 7-5, 2-0, 6-2.

Miss Gracy Wheeler (U.S.A.) beat Miss Betty Nuttall (Britain) 2-0, 6-2.

Miss King (Britain) beat Mrs. Roberto Pittman (Britain) 6-1, 7-6.

Miss Rita Jarvis (Britain) beat Mrs. Pittman (Britain) 6-1, 7-6.

Mme. Jedrzejowska (Poland) beat Madame Meulemeester (Belgium) 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Spelling (Denmark) beat Miss Gem Hoaing (China) 6-2, 6-0.

Mme. Matthes (France) beat Frau Porokova (Bohemia and Moravia) 6-4, 6-2.

Mrs. Dorothy Round Little (Britain) beat Miss Stewart (Britain) 6-1, 6-0.

Miss Ruth Schmid (Germany) beat Miss Liebert (Britain) 7-5, 7-5.

Miss Somogyi (Hungary) beat Miss Smith (Britain) 6-4, 6-4.

Miss Stacey (Britain) beat Miss Malingay (U.S.A.) 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Welvers (Luxemburg) beat Mrs. Law (Britain) 6-1, 6-0.

Miss J. Saunders (Britain) beat Miss M. H. Buxton (Britain) 6-1, 6-0.

Miss Wood (Britain) beat Mrs. Jane (Britain) 6-1, 6-2.

Mrs. Scott (Britain) beat Frau Herbst (Germany) 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Smith (Britain) beat Miss Cardinals (Britain) 6-1, 7-5.

Mrs. Andrus (U.S.A.) beat Miss Goss (Britain) 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Alice Marble (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Kirk (Britain) 6-3, 6-2.

Mrs. Helen Jacobs (U.S.A.) beat Miss Hayes (Britain) 6-0, 6-2.

Rose Of England Wins July Stakes

London, June 27.

In the July Stakes to-day, Rose of England, a hot favourite at 2/9, won by five lengths from Claudius (5/1), which was in turn five lengths ahead of Prize Poem (20/1). Five ran in the race.—Reuters.

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CORFU	14,000	5th August	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp
*BURDWAN	6,000	12th Aug.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp
CANTON	15,000	19th August	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp
CARTHAGE	14,000	2nd Sept.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp
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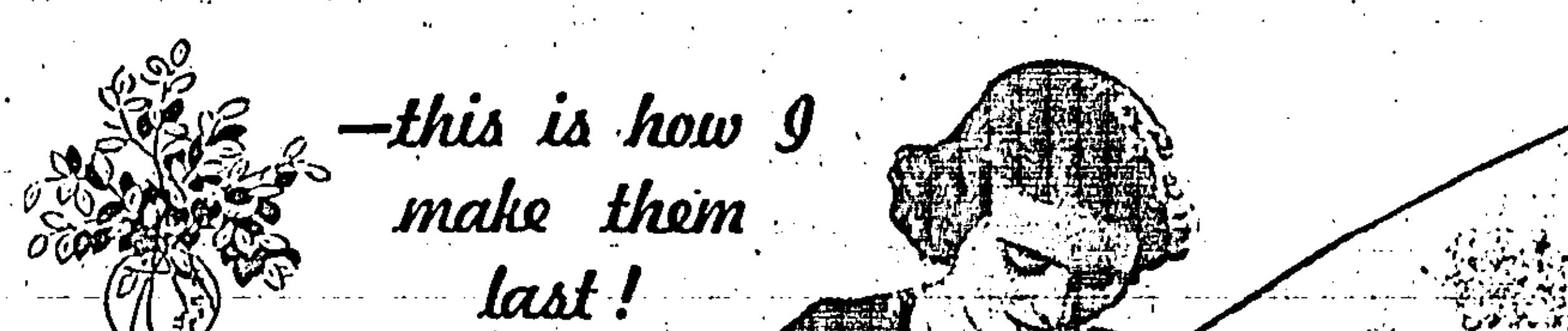
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Cut flowers can be made to last much longer in water, and ways of doing this will appeal to townspies who have to get their flowers mainly from the shops.

Correct Cutting

Long-stemmed flowers are easier to arrange than the shorter kind, so if you have flowers from your own garden pick them as near to the root or main stem as possible, and use a sharp knife so that you get a clean cut. And a tip to remember when June roses bloom: cut through the stalk at an angle when gathering flowers with woody stems.

I always choose blooms which are just opening in preference to full-blown ones, as, of course, they last so much better.

Some flowers are inclined to hang their heads when they have been in a vase for a few hours. It is possible to stiffen the stems if you lay them flat in a bowl of cold water overnight before arranging them in vases.

Prevents Drooping

Flowers with woody stems, do not always absorb enough water to keep the flowers alive. They last much longer if you bruise the ends of the stems with a hammer. This breaks up the woody fibres and allows the moisture to get to the stems.

Then there are those flowers which begin to droop almost as soon as you put them in water. Delphiniums are especially bad in this respect. But try putting a teaspoonful of salt in the water; it does wonders in preventing the lower petals from falling. A tip for keeping fragile blooms alive is to singe the ends of the stems as soon as they are picked.

Wall vases have returned to favour. They are decorative filled with mixed flowers and trails of leaves.

Short Cuts

Never mix two wines in the same glass, or put ice in wine, or leave a wine bottle uncorked between meals.

For a delicious change use vanilla ice cream in place of whipped cream on bread pudding, Indian pudding or plum pudding.

Warm hair shampoo is easier to apply than cold shampoo.

Try coarse salt on a piece of cut lemon for cleaning brass.

Finally, I hope people who have gardens won't forget this summer that a box of flowers is a lovely gift to people who have no garden. There are so many flowers one cannot always buy in shops.

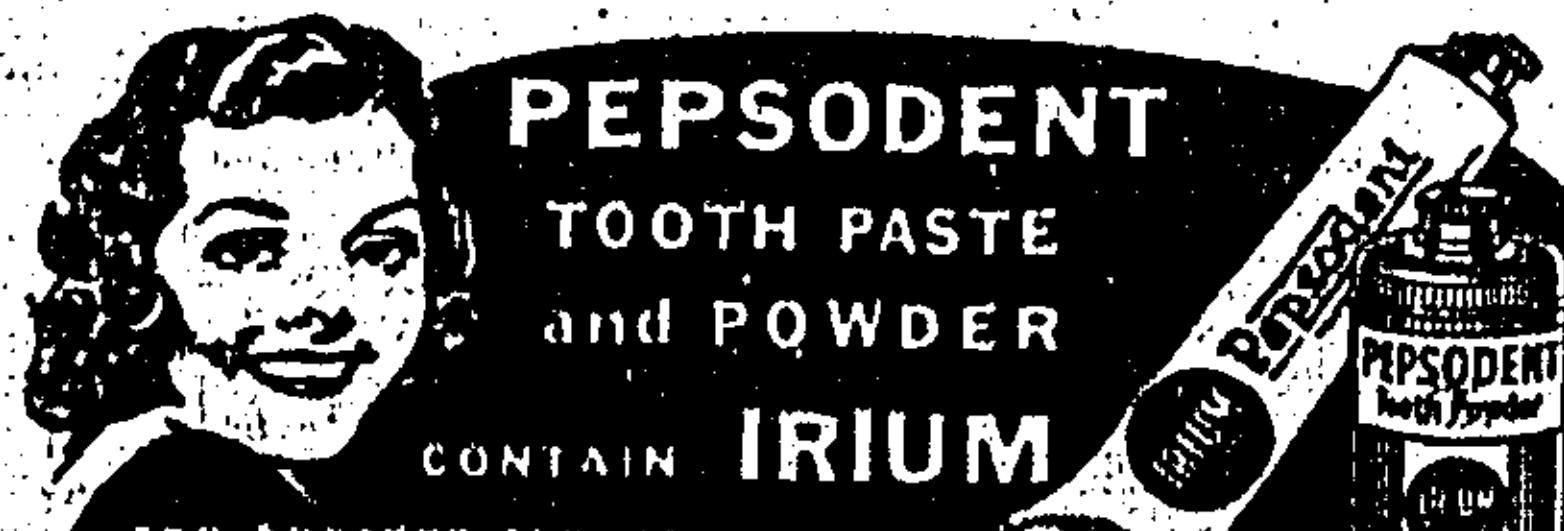
And invalid friends always appreciate blossoms fresh from the garden.

If carefully packed, the flowers should arrive quite fresh even at the end of a long journey. I always pack them in a box for sending away, wrap the heads in tissue paper, and wind strips of wet ray or cotton wool round the stems.

Then I line the box in which they are to be packed, first with a layer of dry, then with a sheet of wet newspaper, and put in the flowers with heads of alternate layers facing in opposite directions.

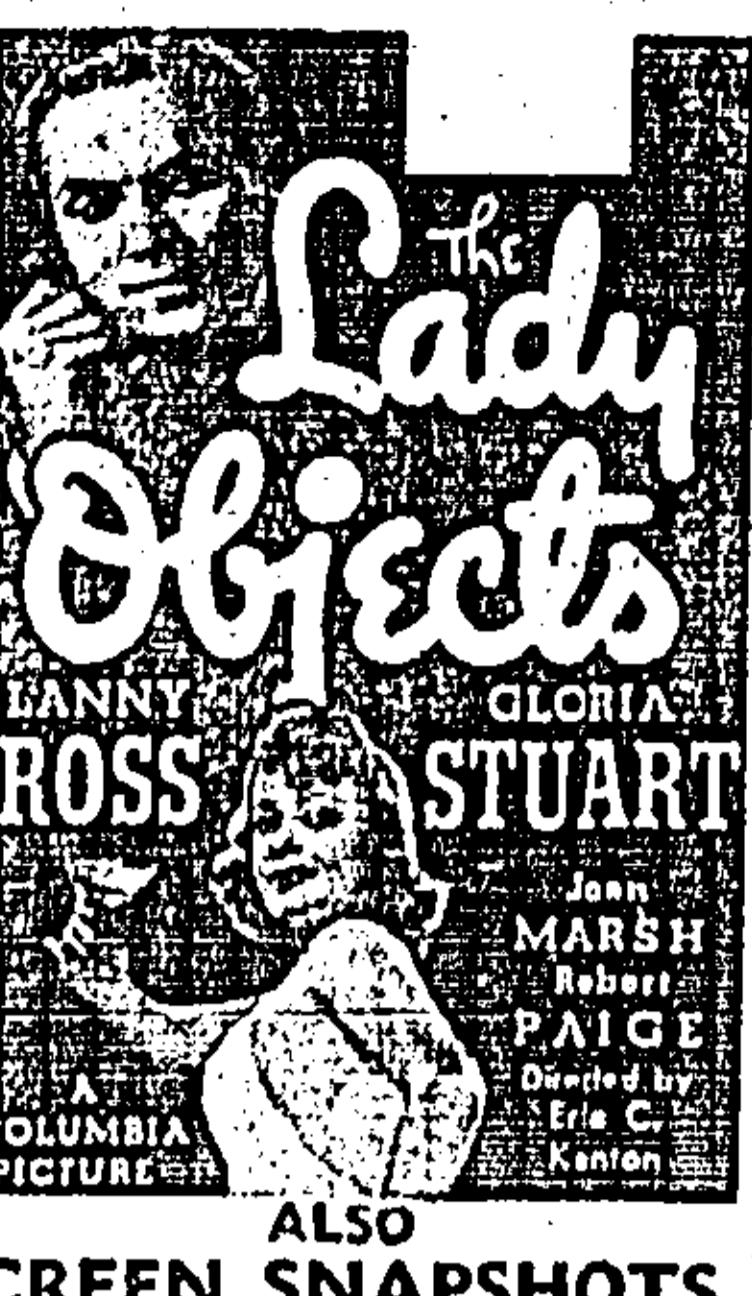
The great secret of successful packing is to fill the box quite full so that the flowers cannot move about. Put some more wet newspaper over the top, fold over the corners and tie firmly for lining the box, then wrap in at least two thicknesses of brown paper.

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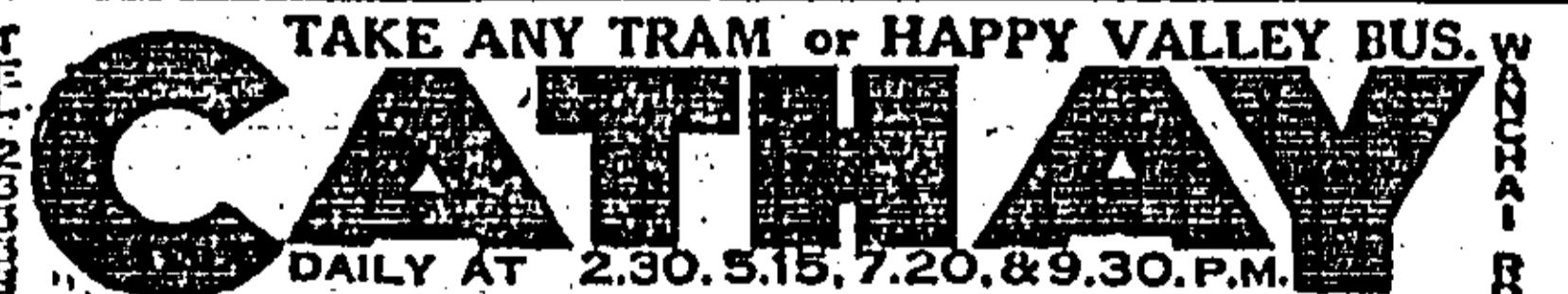
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History records no single accepted account of the origin of the Long Man, but legends credit ancient artists with the work.

One legend suggests that the figure depicts Balder, the Saxon God of Peace, rising from Valhalla (Hades), and reasons that the two huge staves clutched in the giant's hands are poles by which the god hoisted himself from the depths.

A theory that the Long Man was the work of Saxons or Britons is supported by the discovery at the top of Windsor Hill of an ancient British or Saxon encampment.

BEOWULF?

In this respect, the Long Man is similar to the Giant of Cern Abbas, Dorset, which is also cut below the remains of an early camp.

Another story says that the figure commemoates a visit to Wilmington by St. Peter.

Monks of the Wilmington Priory are also credited with the work, while another legend holds that the Long Man is Beowulf.

TO PAY THE DAMAGE.

It has been suggested, too, that the Long Man was carved to serve as a calendar, the seasons being reckoned as the sun during the year touched certain parts of the figure.

It was stated in court that the youths took stones from the Long Man and threw them down the hill. They were fined 30s. each and it is understood that the money will go to Sussex Archaeological Society to repair the damage.

LATE NEWS

MILITARY OFFICER'S EVIDENCE

Tells Of Contracts In Fraud Case

Evidence of the system of tendering for motor vehicles in vogue in the Military Department was given by Col. P. H. Henderson, Commandant of the Royal Army Service Corps, at yesterday's hearing, before Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Magistracy, of two charges of obtaining money by false pretences against Edward Davies Sykes.

Sykes is alleged to have obtained \$1,250 on March 7 and \$1,000 on March 14 from Messrs. W. A. H. Duff and J. A. Duff, of Reliance Motors, Ltd., Hongkong, by falsely pretending that a tender made by Reliance Motors had been accepted by the Military authorities.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton is for the prosecution and Mr. F. H. Losby is representing Sykes.

In reply to Mr. Marton, Mr. W. A. H. Duff, who continued his evidence yesterday, said he started criminal proceedings against Sykes because he thought Sykes might leave the Colony. He had Sykes detained while civil proceedings were taken.

Mr. Marton: You thought you might be had?

Mr. Losby objected to the question.

Mr. Marton: I think it was perfectly clear that is what the witness meant. (To witness) Tell us what you thought about it?—I thought I had been swindled.

Colonel's Evidence

Col. H. P. Henderson identified a number of documents, mostly letters from Reliance Motors.

Mr. Marton: Have you received any other documents from Reliance Motors, Ltd.?—No.

How many contracts are there in operation at the present time with the Military?—One for lorries and three for cars. The lorry contract is for twelve months from February 1.

Between February 1 and the end of May, this year, did the Military want any other contracts besides those already mentioned?—Not to my knowledge.

If any other contract had been given would they have come to your knowledge?—Yes.

Col. Henderson said his object in sending one of the letters produced in court to Reliance Motors was to enable Reliance Motors to register themselves with the Military. After a reply had been received, certain inquiries would be made and if those inquiries were satisfactory then Reliance Motors would have been registered with them. Those inquiries would take up to a month.

Mr. Marton: Would it be possible for any firm to be awarded a contract before they were registered?—No.

Was any contract awarded to Reliance Motors between February 1 and May 31?—No.

Shown another document witness said he had never seen it before. It did not resemble any document issued by him. Documents despatched from his office would normally be sent by post. At any rate, tender would be sent by post. It would be addressed, normally in writing, to the firm tendering.

An acceptance of tender form was next produced. These forms, said witness, were sent to the firms who would then tear off the bottom half and send it in to the Military.

Did Not Know Sykes

Col. Henderson said he had never known or met Sykes before.

Mr. Losby: Would you in the ordinary course discuss military contracts with a commission agent?—I do not know. It depends.

Will you agree with me that it is impossible?—I do not know.

People who tender know that first of all it is necessary for them to get into your tender list?—I do not know whether they realise that.

Miss E. G. A. Donald said she was private secretary to Messrs. W. A. H. and J. A. Duff. She remembered meeting Sykes about February 27 when Sykes went into the office accompanied by Mr. Johnson. Her desk was in the same room, and she could hear what was being said in the office that day. She heard Sykes tell the Duff brothers about a special military hire contract, which he was in a position to obtain for them.

One point she remembered during the discussion was that Sykes insisted on the negotiations being left to him entirely. The Duff brothers eventually agreed to this. She saw Sykes on March 2 when he went into the office, and dictated a letter to her from a small memorandum. After the letter had been checked by Mr. W. A. H. Duff, it was signed, and given to Sykes to take away.

Sykes appeared again in the afternoon and appeared to be in a cheerful mood, saying the contract was as good as theirs. He appeared again early in the morning on March 6, and said he had seen the signed contract. He was also in a rash mood, and promised her a bottle of champagne, which she was still waiting for.

Hearing was adjourned until July 7, at 2.30 p.m.

Gracie Defies Her Doctors

GRACIE FIELDS defeated a plot to keep her in bed when she motored 120 miles recently to broadcast an appeal in the National programme on behalf of the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Gracie is ill—badly run down after years of overwork. The family did not want her to broadcast. Nor did her doctors, including the King's Physician, Lord Dawson of Penn.

But Gracie agreed to enter a nursing home only on the strict understanding that she would be allowed out in time for the broadcast.

Meanwhile, the plot was hatched. It was arranged, and officially announced that her brother, Tommy, would take her place. The B.B.C. knew. The public knew. Tommy knew. Only Gracie, resting in bed, did not know.

PALE AND TIRED

But that night a telephone call came through from her manager

saying: "All is fixed. Tommy is broadcasting." Gracie, sitting up in bed, took the call. "Ech, what's this?" she cried. "Tommy isn't broadcasting. I am."

And Gracie did, to the delight of hundreds of fans, who mobbed her outside Broadcasting House. She drove from Peneckwell, with her father and her maid, Miss Mary Bourne.

PALE AND TIRED

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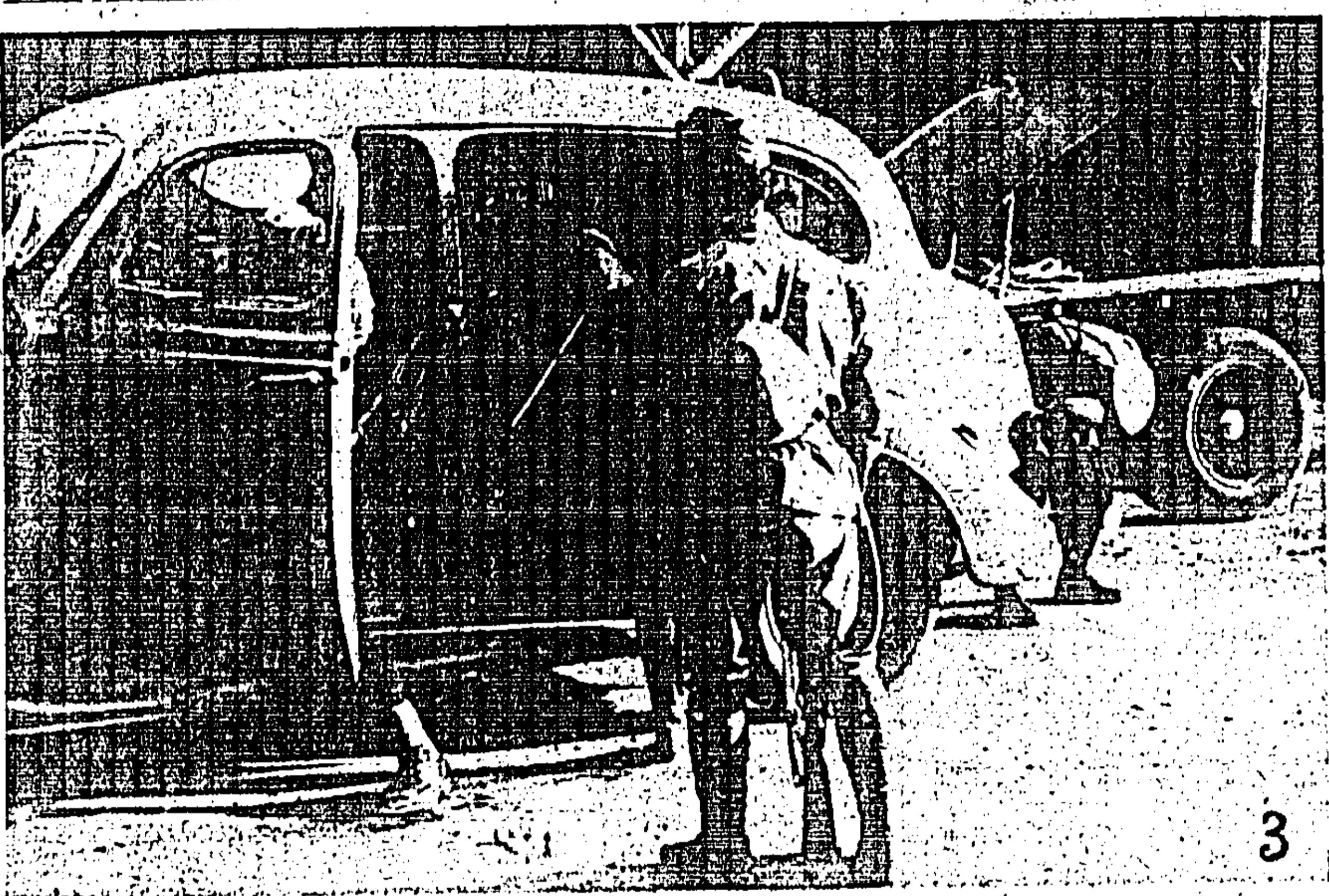
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JAPANESE SENTRIES searching a car and its occupants at Tientsin, before allowing the vehicle to proceed into the British Concession. Passengers were not allowed to take any foodstuffs into the Concession.

Hopes For Settlement Of Crisis In Tientsin Now Much Brighter

LONDON, June 27.

AS AN indication that some progress has been made in the conversations with Japan, Mr. Chamberlain to-day told questioners in the House of Commons that he hoped to make a further statement shortly regarding Tientsin.

The Premier declined to discuss current developments.

An official spokesman declared that, regardless of the blockade of Foochow and Wenchow, British vessels do not intend to forego their right to proceed anywhere in Chinese waters.

Japan has maintained a cold silence regarding the British suggestion that the Tientsin blockade should be lifted as a preliminary to negotiations, in return for which Britain promised a fair hearing of the Japanese grievances.—United Press.

Negotiations To Start?

LONDON, June 27.—"Reuter" understands that there is good reason to believe an announcement regarding the opening of negotiations in Tokyo over Tientsin, will be made in London and Tokyo during the next 24 hours.

It is reported in generally well-informed quarters that Japan has submitted two proposals. Firstly, Tientsin is not to be used for anti-Japanese intrigues by the Chinese; secondly, it is not to be used as a base to support the Chinese currency in opposition to the new Japanese currency. It is understood that the Government cannot accede to the second proposal; but negotiations are beginning generally.—Reuter.

Japanese Declaration

PEKING, June 27.—The Japanese are reported to be preparing a declaration of some form in connection with the creation of a Federal Government of China on the second anniversary of the war on July 7.

According to usually well-informed Chinese political sources, Mr. Wang Ching-wei flew from the Shanghai area to Tientsin, from where he was taken to Peiping, where he is expected to discuss plans with Mr. Wang Keh-min and Wu Pei-fu, representatives of the Japanese-sponsored Nanking Government.—Reuter.

British Climb Down?

LONDON, June 27.—It is stated in political circles here that the British Government is prepared to make considerable con-

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ANGLO-RUSSIAN ALLIANCE NEAR

PARIS, June 27.—It has been very reliably stated here that Lord Halifax has instructed Mr. William Strang, the British Foreign Office expert, to meet all the Russian demands and to conclude a tripartite alliance with the shortest possible delay.

It is said that Mr. Strang has received new instructions to-night to request an appointment with the Soviet Foreign Minister on Thursday.

The new instructions will empower Mr. Strang to make a nominal guarantee for the Baltic States.

Secondly, automatic mutual assistance which would enable the Soviet to initiate operations should the Baltic States or Poland or Rumania be threatened by aggression.

Thirdly, consultations and contacts among the General Staffs of the three Powers.—United Press.

Now Instructions

LONDON, June 27.—It is learned that new instructions are being dispatched to Sir William Seeds and Mr. William Strang in Moscow this evening. It is expected these will permit of a further meeting with M. Molotov this week.—Reuter.

Labour Impatience

LONDON, June 27.—At a meeting in London to-day of the National Council of Labour, it was stated that the Prime Minister had been asked to receive a deputation.

It is gathered that the Council is anxious to stress the desirability of completing as soon as possible an Anglo-Russian pact, and instituting effective measures to deal with the Far Eastern situation.—Reuter.

Halifax Sees King

LONDON, June 27.—For the first time since his return from the Canadian

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AS A RESULT of the Japanese rejection of British requests for free entry of British merchant-men into Swatow Harbour, naval escorts may be provided this afternoon for two steamers which have been held up off the entrance to the harbour since this morning.

The steamers are the 2,455-ton Douglas liner Seistan (Capt. R. C. Creer), which left Hongkong yesterday, and the 2,626-ton B. & S. liner Kwangtung (Capt. S. M. Barling).

ENTRY REFUSED

The Japanese authorities have refused to permit either vessel to enter the harbour.

The "Telegraph" understands that Norwegian and other foreign shipping companies have decided, in view of the Japanese "ultimatum," to cancel all sailings for Swatow for the time being.

REQUEST REJECTED

The Japanese authorities in Swatow have rejected a British request for a modification of the previous Japanese notification that shipping would not be permitted to enter Swatow Harbour.

The Japanese decision was made known in Swatow yesterday afternoon by Mr. T. Matsudaira, the Japanese Consul, during an interview with Mr. C. Rene Lee, the British Consul, and the Commander of H.M.S. Thanet.

The conversations, according to a "Domei" message, lasted for an hour.

Mr. Lee pointed out that neither Japan nor China had declared war during the course of the present hostilities, and third Powers were therefore under no obligation, in International Law, to recognise a blockade. The British Consul reiterated the British request for the free entry of shipping into Swatow harbour.

UNDECLARED WAR

Admitting that actual war at the present time often takes the form of an undeclared war, the Japanese Consul General rejected the British representations, and said that the Japanese could not accept the claim that the blockade of Swatow was illegal.

"The entry of foreign shipping will not be permitted for the time being, in view of the necessity of maintaining peace and order," the Japanese consul declared.

BLAMES BRITAIN

"The steps taken by the Japanese authorities in Swatow are as a result of the unfriendly attitude adopted by the British interest which sent merchant vessels into the harbour, contrary to our requests, while hostilities were in progress."

The Japanese authorities, however, are prepared to concede the entry of one foreign vessel each week.

This vessel will be permitted to unload only mail and provisions for the foreign community in Swatow."

DUBLIN HAS A LADY MAYORESS

ELECTION MAKES HISTORY

DUBLIN, June 27.—The first Lady Mayoress of an Irish city was elected to-day by the Dublin Corporation.

She is Mrs. Kathleen Clarke, widow of Tom Clarke who was executed in 1916.

She is a member of the De Valera Party and was elected by the casting vote of Mr. Alfred Byrne, who relinquished the mayoralty after serving for nine years.—Reuter Special.

SEATTLE, June 27.—The British freighter "Hannington" which moved from Tacoma to Seattle to load scrap iron for Japan has been held up again when longshoremen have refused to pass a picket line of Chinese sympathizers.—United Press.

Warships And Transports Massing

LARGE ARMADAS of Japanese warships and transports are reported to have concentrated off the entrances to the Min and Ou Rivers, preparatory, it is believed, to major landings tomorrow.

Foochow, capital of Fukien Province, is thirty miles from the mouth of the Min River, while the Chekiang treaty port of Wenchow is approximately an equal distance from the mouth of the Ou River.

The Japanese have already occupied Sharp Peak at the entrance of the Min River, effectively blocking the entry or departure of any ships.

MISSIONS ON ISLAND

Two Missions—one British and one American—are on Sharp Peak Island, but it is believed that neither Missions nor occupants have been interfered with. There are nine American missionaries and 24 British, the latter including 19 ladies.

Sharp Peak Island is opposite the Pagoda Anchorage at Foochow. H.M.S. Duchess is at present the only foreign vessel there.

Confirming the reported concentration of Japanese warships, a "Reuter" message from Chungking states that 18 vessels have been seen off the Pagoda Anchorage.

The Chinese authorities believe that a major landing is imminent.

All Government offices have been evacuated inland from Foochow, as an attack has been anticipated for some time.

Civilians Leave

Civilians have also been evacuated. There is no confirmation from Chungking that the Japanese have occupied Chaochow, the inland terminus of the 28-mile long Swatow-Chaochow Railway.

Chinese reports admit, however, that Japanese columns are advancing on the city.

C.-in-C. Returning

The Commander-in-Chief, China Station, Admiral Sir Percy Noble, is expected to arrive in Hongkong early this week in H.M.S. Kent, after attending the Singapore defence Conference.

It is presumed that the Commander-in-Chief will personally handle the question raised by the Japanese warning that all Third Power warships and merchantmen must leave Wenchow and Foochow before noon to-morrow.

The Japanese warn that the entrances to both the Min and Ou Rivers will be obstructed by boats and mines after their notification expires.

State Of Emergency

FOOCHOW, June 28.—In view of the Japanese threat to Foochow, the Chinese military authorities have declared a state of emergency at the mouth of the Min River.

The harbour will be closed to shipping as from to-morrow.

General Chen Yi, Chairman of the Fukien Provincial Government, left yesterday on a tour to inspect Chinese defences along the eastern Fukien coast.

Chinese military circles are not perturbed by the Japanese landing at Sharp Peak Island at the entrance of the Min River. The island is about seven nautical miles from Changmen, the nearest town on the mainland. As it is situated beyond the Chinese boom in the Min River, the Chinese have built no defences on it.

A handful of Chinese fishermen live on the island.

The Japanese landing at the island yesterday morning was covered by heavy naval and aerial bombardment. Eight Japanese warships and a number of steam boats steamed to the mouth of the Min River and directed terrific shelling ashore while nine planes taking off from a Japanese aircraft-carrier flew over Liendking.

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Car Taxation To Continue

Simon Won't Budge From Budget

LONDON, June 27.—STANDING FIRM on his budget proposals to increase the motor car horse-power tax, Sir John Simon in the House of Commons to-day met his critics, who declared that higher taxes would affect Britain's car exports, by offering to consider a new horse-power formula for taxation purposes.

Sir John Simon suggested that the present formula tended to produce an engine, the main purpose of which was to avoid taxation, and which might not be suitable for the foreign market.

Government supporters are prominent among those pressing for concessions. Mr. J. Henderson Stewart emphatically announced that he would not use a car from January to March, adding: "There will be thousands and tens of thousands like me."

Sir John Simon refused to exempt cars over a year old from the proposed increase.—Reuter.

LATEST

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Further Late News

MAYFAIR WOMAN'S NIGHT CLUB STORY



Here are six of the other seven Dionne children, with their parents and nurses, as they arrived in Toronto from Callander to meet the King and Queen. Left to right: Daniel, Rose, Pauline, Therese, Oliva, Jr., and Ernest.

£100,000 Deals In Postal Rarities

ONE business at least has not suffered from the crisis: the sale of rare stamps. The annual stamp "bourse," held in London every May, has spread from one floor of the Holborn Restaurant to two.

The gallery has been co-opted into service, for there are twelve more dealers' stands booked this year than last, 109 against 97.

Mr. Albert Harris, the organiser, said, "Although we had some last minute cancellations, we have sold our space over again. There were still a dozen applicants who could not be accommodated."

ONE WORTH £600

"There are between 20 and 30 nationalities here," he went on. "Several come from Germany, several from Italy, and one from Danzig. Egypt and India are both represented."

The dearest single stamp on view is a Guinea, priced at £600, not to be confused with the one cent.

Two-Mouth Fish Hooked

NEW ORLEANS. R. L. Butler's most unusual catch—a catfish with two mouths—has been presented to the state museum. Butler, who caught the fish in the Mississippi river, was unable to say if a multi-mouthed fish increased the chances of the angler. He hooked the fish in only one mouth.

Gulung of 1850, which is listed at 750,000 francs.

The net amount of business done during the three days of the Bourse will amount to about £100,000.

THE MAN IN HANDCUFFS

Theft of a pair of handcuffs was alleged against Albert Henry Gibbins, aged 33, at Bristol Police Court.

Superintendent Lush said that when Gibbins arrived on Whit Monday at a casual ward in Bath it was noticed that a pair of handcuffs dangled from one wrist. Bath police informed Bristol, where officers were already investigating the disappearance from a house there of gas-meter money and a pair of handcuffs.

Apparently, the Superintendent added, Gibbins had put on the handcuffs and was unable to get them off again. Gibbins was remanded.

Jail Labour Missed

ANADARKO, Okla.

A dance was held here to raise funds for the city's wood chopping project—a charity programme. Dance proceeds were allocated to pay men to cut wood for distribution for the needy. The work formerly was done by jail inmates, but the jail population has fallen off.

Victor Wolf Konnky, head warden of the Nest Club, was questioned

£2,000 Ring Vanished, She Avoided A Fuss

MRS. GABRIELLE BURLEY, of Seaford Place, Park Lane, described in evidence at Marlborough Street Police Court recently incidents in a West End night club where she lost jewellery valued at £2,860.

All eyes were turned on her as she entered the witness-box and removed her gloves to take the oath.

She wore a blue summer frock trimmed with white and a small hat with white flowers and veil.

In the dock were Victor F. C. Hervey (23), of Upper Berkeley Street (son of Lord Herbert Hervey and nephew of the Marquis of Bristol); George Ernest Arthur Hering (23), of Great Cumberland Place, W.; Geoffrey Coop (23), of Conduit Mews, W.; and William Goodwin (30), silversmith, of Holland Road, West Kensington.

Hervey, Hering and Goodwin are charged with being concerned with others not in custody in stealing jewellery valued at £2,860 from Mrs. Burley.

Hervey and Hering are also charged with Coop, with being concerned with others in breaking into a flat in Queen Street, Mayfair, and stealing jewellery worth £2,500 from Mrs. Pauline Dauby.

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Mr. Morgan: Were you joined by any of the defendants in the flat, either Hervey or Hering?—I think Peter Paul (Herling) was there and Hervey came in a little later.

At the flat she had two Martinis. Asked by Mr. Morgan if she had a whisky, Mrs. Burley replied, "No, I loathe whisky."

Later she had a cocktail at another hotel.

Mr. Morgan: At that time how were you? Had you had enough to drink or not?—Yes, quite enough.

"QUITE HAPPY"

Before going to the Nest Club they had some food at a restaurant and some white wine.

Mr. Morgan: How were you then?—Quite happy.

At the club she danced most of the time with all three of them until the cabaret started. Then Hervey was on her right, Hering on her left and Walter at the end of the table.

Hervey said, "Have a drink," added Mrs. Dauby. "I asked him what he was drinking and he said rye whisky. I said I loathed rye whisky, but he said it was different and added: 'Have some of mine.' I had a sip and did not like it. He said, 'Have some more of it.'

Mrs. Burley said she became very dazed and did not like the cabaret.

HER OWN IDEA

After the cabaret she wanted to go to the cloakroom, and Walter, who accompanied her, went back to fetch her handbag. She had put her ring in the bag.

Mr. Morgan: Was that your own idea?—Quite.

She valued the ring at £2,000. She had been wearing a pair of diamond dress clips valued at about £800.

She thought she missed the clips in the cloakroom, and that the ring had gone from her bag when she returned to the table.

Mr. Morgan: What attitude did you take up? Did you want inquiries made?—No, I did not want a fuss made.

She added that the four of them went by taxi to her flat, where she made them some tea.

£60 WRIST WATCH

Mrs. Burley said she also missed a wristlet watch worth about £60.

She remembered Hervey going to a table just behind and talking to the people. That was after she had pulled herself together and before she had discovered her loss.

She remembered a woman and three men at the table.

The Magistrate: Look at the men No. 3 and No. 4 in the dock (indicating Coop and Goodwin) and tell me if you recognise either of them?—No, I do not.

Mr. Kramer: You never mentioned anything to the others at the other table?—I think I did, but I am not sure.

Is it not the truth you had no recollection of that incident at all?—No.

You are not suggesting that the rye whisky seemed to be making you particularly drunk?—I am not suggesting anything. I am only telling you what it did to me.

Detective-Sergeant William Barkell, replying to Mr. Franks (for Coop), denied that he said to Coop: "Hervey and Hering have implicated you; you had better come clean."

Inspector Charles Berry said that when Goodwin was arrested he had one £10 note, 30 25-cent notes, three £1 notes and a ten-shilling note.

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Ten Nations Discuss



ANY musician would tell you that the symbol in the headline above means a crocheted A in the treble clef. But ask half a dozen singers of different nationalities to sing it to you, and each might strike a slightly different note.

Ten nations met at a conference at Broadcasting House recently to try to end this strange state of affairs. At the invitation of the British Standards Institution they discussed an international agreement on concert pitch.

It is an old problem. Fifty years ago musicians were complaining that they had to change the pitch of their instruments according to the country. And the difficulty still exists.

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At present the standard A of different countries varies from 435 to 442 cycles per second.

An official of the British Standards Institution said: "The varying degrees of concert pitch have caused chaos in the musical world for years."

"British interests are agreed to a standard of 440 cycles, but we want to make it an international standard."

Japanese Occupation Of Hainan

London. A further question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the Japanese occupation of Hainan:—

Mr. W. Roberts asked the Prime Minister whether he can make a statement with regard to the extent of the occupation by the Japanese of Hainan Island and the Spratley Islands and whether any joint discussions with the French authorities have taken place with regard to it; and, if not, whether such discussions will be considered in view of the threat to the interests of these two countries in the Far East?

Mr. Butler: According to my noble Friend's information the Island of Hainan has been only partially occupied, while it appears that there has been no actual military occupation by the Spratley group by the Japanese. His Majesty's Government are keeping in close and constant touch with the French Government in this matter.

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WORLD'S ART DICTATOR DEAD



Six factories and 30 houses off Yu Yuen Road, opposite Jessfield Park, Shanghai, went up in flames recently. The combined strength of 11 fire engines was not sufficient to prevent the total destruction of these premises. Upper picture shows the fire in progress with the flames and smoke against the skyline. Lower picture shows the remains of one of the houses.

Bank Clerks Demand Right To Own Lives

TWO hundred bank clerks from all parts of England and Wales demanded in Birmingham recently that their private lives should be their own, free from the restrictive influence of bank executives.

Their demand was made at the annual conference of the Bank Officers' Guild.

They passed a resolution unanimously promising fullest support to any members whose civil liberties might be threatened with encroachment by employers.

The conference was private. Afterwards Mr. T. G. Edwards, general secretary, explained that the resolution had been "thought necessary in view of restrictions operating in banks regarding marriage and political activities."

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Two Carpet Bags Laid Family Fortune

ASTRONOMY may be said to have linked two famous Britons who died recently—Lord Duveen and Sir Frank Dyson.

Sir Frank Dyson was the mathematician who, as he once said, "drifted into astronomy" and became Astronomer Royal in charge of Greenwich Observatory. Lord Duveen was the man who turned art into big business with "astronomical" prices for world-famous pictures.

Lord Duveen died at a London hotel at the age of 69. Sir Frank, who was 71, died while on a voyage from Australia to South Africa.

The fortunes of the Duveen family were laid by one Henry Duveen, who at the age of 12 was sent by his father from their humble home in Holland with two large carpet bags filled with Delft blue china.

Pieces which had cost 5s. in Holland fetched £5 at Boston.

Joseph, the eldest of 14, was born at Hull and joined the firm at 17. He was later to become the first Baron Duveen of Millbank (where the Tate Gallery stands) because of his magnificent gifts to British museums and galleries.

Standing apart from all auction-room coleries and establishing his own "tradition" Duveen became a force which upset all the reckonings of connoisseurs and dealers—a virtual "dictator" in the art world.

SPECTACULAR DEALS

He launched the art boom of 1921 when he bought "Mrs. Siddons" by Reynolds for £30,000 and paid £170,000 for Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" for America.

Other spectacular deals were: £1,000,000 for the Gustave Dreyfus collection (Italian Renaissance).

£500,000 for the Benson collection (Botticelli, Titian, Andrea del Sarto and Luini).

£235,000 for the Fragonard Panels.

£175,000 for the Raphael Madonna.

Besides presenting pictures to the Tate and National Galleries, Lord Duveen added a new wing to the National Portrait Gallery, provided an extension for modern foreign art at the Tate, a gallery for the Elgin Marbles at the British Museum and an early Venetian gallery at the National Gallery.

The master cook said early tea was on the bill of fare, and it was the cook's duty to prepare whatever was on it.

The court found Lance-Corporal Minkin not guilty.

Morning Tea On Army Bill Of Fare

WHEN Lance-Corporal Roy Sidney Minkin, 2nd Batt. Grenadier Guards, was brought up at a court martial at Pirbright, Surrey, recently, charged with striking Guardsman Horace Patrick Chandler, the following story was told by Chandler.

"The corporal demanded tea, and I referred him to the master cook. I said it was no use arguing with me. 500 eggs had to be fried.

"He started digging me in the tummy with his finger to emphasise his words, and said he wanted tea.

"I said: 'Who are you to tell me to make tea.' He then struck me in the face."

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Queen Mary Is Working On Book

QUEEN MARY has become a sub-editor.

Recently she has spent much of her time correcting and amending proofs of a book about the Royal Family, "Royal Cavalade," which is to be published this year.

Queen Mary herself has written several interesting passages, including narratives about the private lives of members of her family.

Helping her in the work has been Princess Beatrice, daughter of Queen Victoria.

"NOT BEAUTIFUL"

"Her Majesty has been most helpful," the authoress, Miss Erle Beal, said.

"Queen Mary is a most punctilious reader, and besides revising the book she revised the genealogical tables.

"In one passage I described King Edward the Seventh's Court, and various ladies were mentioned for their beauty."

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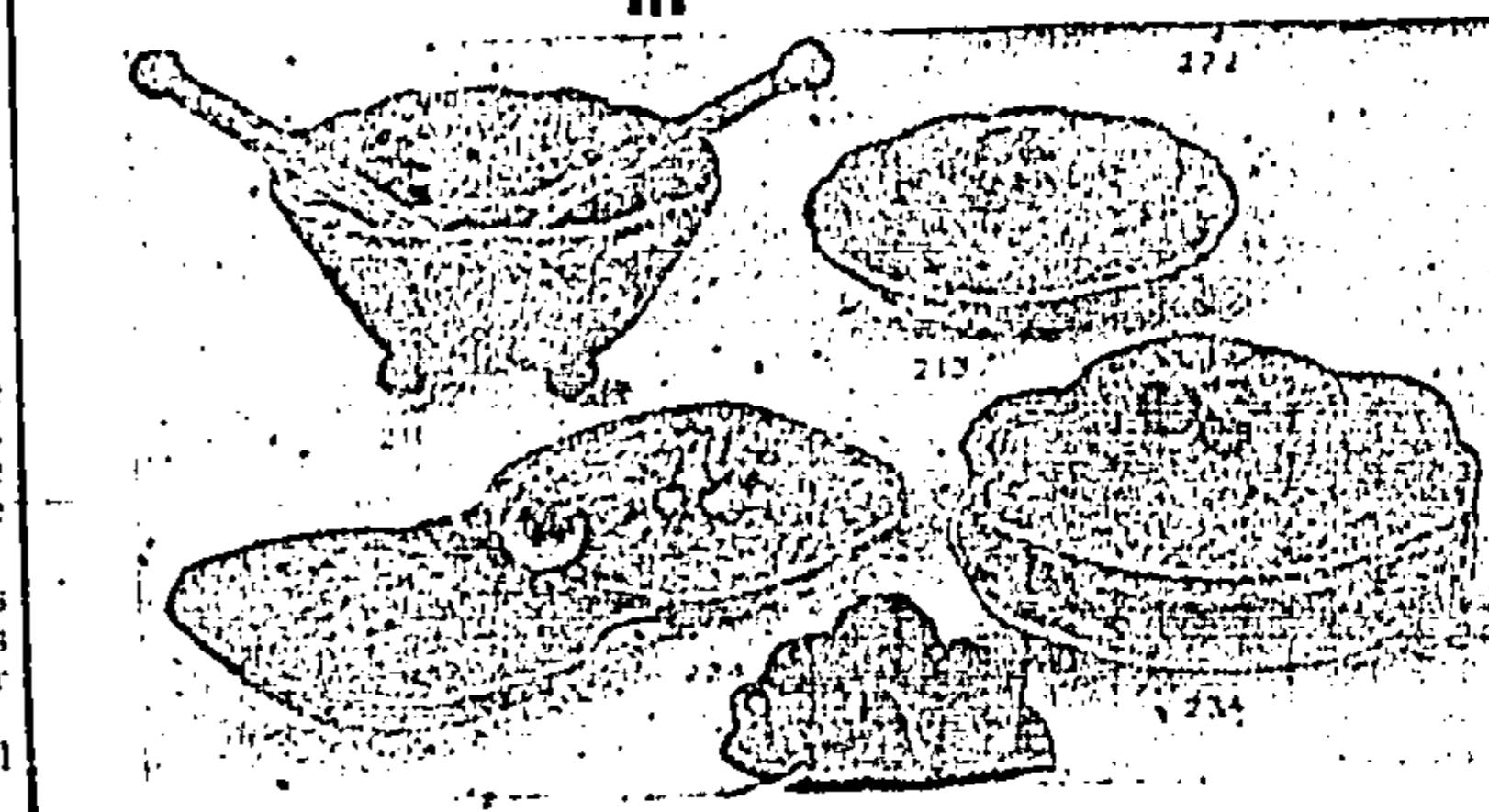
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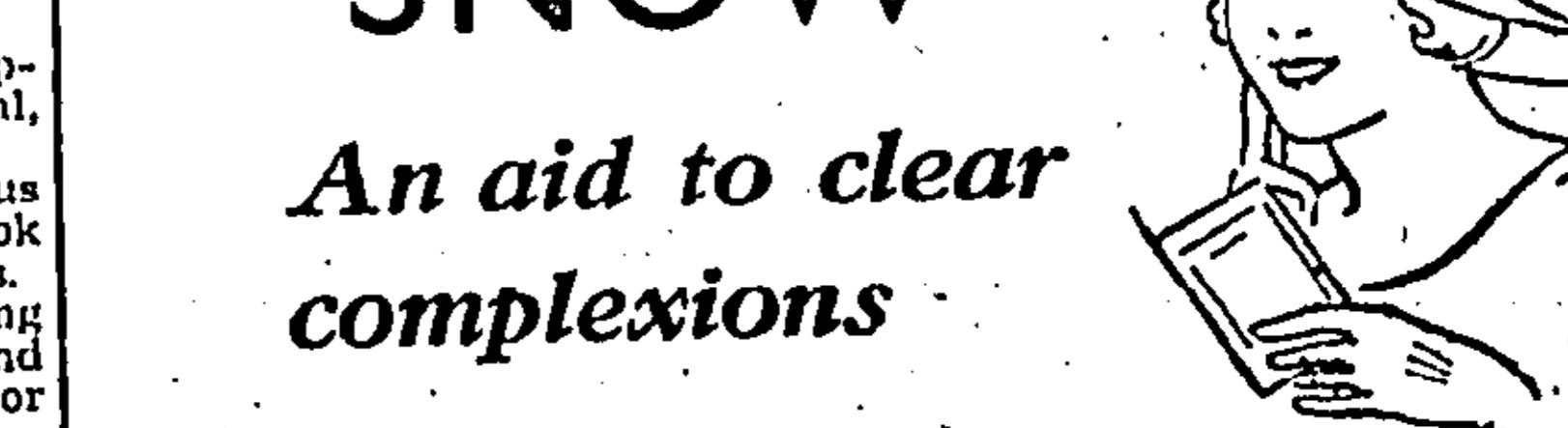
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Raymond Massey's Wife Goes To Reno

New York.
MRS. RAYMOND MASSEY—Adrienne Allen, the actress—arrived at Reno recently to establish residence preparatory to seeking a divorce.

Raymond Massey is at present appearing in the principal role in the famous "Pulitzer Prize" play, "Ab Lincoln in Illinois," by Robert Sherwood.

Mrs. Massey has taken a cottage on the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe, where she will spend the next six weeks—the period necessary to establish residence.

There is no indication as yet as to the grounds for the action.

Raymond Massey, one of the most popular actors of to-day both on stage and screen, and Adrienne Allen were married nine years ago.

They have two children, who were both born in England—Daniel, now aged five, and Anna, who is not yet two.

Mr. Massey, who is Canadian born, is a brother of Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner in London. He is 42.

Last year he scored a great success in London in "Idiot's Delight," while in 1934 both he and his wife appeared in "The Shining Hour."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

Woman to run Oxford College

FOR the first time in the history of Oxford or Cambridge a woman has been appointed Bursar of a men's college.

Authoritative quarters also state that Mr. Chamberlain, within the next few days, will be in a position to announce the beginning of negotiations for a settlement of the Anglo-Japanese incidents.

It is confirmed that the negotiations will take place in Tokyo, conducted by Sir Robert Craigie.

The Cabinet at its weekly meeting on Wednesday will decide on the details of the British concessions to Japan.—Trans-Ocean.

Shim, very fair and efficient, Miss Bradbury has 30 men and women on her staff in her present post at Cambridge.

"She buys all the food, prepares all the menus and supervises the cooking for 400 students," I was told yesterday. "She does the accounts and pays all the wages as well."

"She is very popular and Caius will be sorry to lose her."

HOPES FOR SETTLEMENT OF CRISIS IN TIENSIN NOW MUCH BRIGHTER

(Continued from Page 1.)

cessions to Japan in connection with settling the Tientsin incident by negotiation, because the British Cabinet has come to the conclusion that intensification of the conflict in the Far East must be avoided.

It is declared that the British Government is now prepared to hand over to the local Chinese puppet authorities the four Chinese suspected of complicity in the murder of an official of the pro-Japanese Government in North China.

Moreover, London is said to be disposed to agree to co-operate with the Japanese in repressing terrorist elements inside the British concession in Tientsin.

However, these concessions would be conditional upon the immediate removal of the blockade at Tientsin, and the postponement, at least for the time being, of further Japanese political demands regarding British policy in North China.

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EMPIRE NEWS

EXTENSIVE CUSTOMS FRAUDS

MOMBASA. As the result of inquiries here extensive Customs frauds have been revealed. One important firm will shortly face a trial. The case is stated to be one of many, and it is believed that 30 cases are pending.

The method of the frauds is alleged to be the issuing of two sets of invoices, one accurate and one false, for the Customs.

It is believed that the revelations will involve well-known firms over long periods.

Statement on Defence. — The Governor of Kenya, Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, has promised to make a full statement on defence preparations when the Legislative Council meets on Tuesday.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

FLOODLIGHTING THE VICTORIA FALLS

SALISBURY. There is much controversy over the proposal to floodlight the Victoria Falls for the celebrations next year of the Golden Jubilee of the occupation of the colony.

The Jubilee Committee decided to make an experiment of floodlighting on a small scale. This has been criticised by some people who think this will vulgarise the falls. Others contend that it will be a great attraction.

AUSTRALIA

\$1,100 STOLEN FROM GOLD-MINE

KALGOORLIE, Western Australia. Masked bandits armed with rifles entered the gold-room of Hannan's North gold-mine, near here, recently, held up an employee on duty and trussed him up.

They then took 130oz of gold, valued at £1,100.

NEW ZEALAND

£4,500,000 LOAN FOR PUBLIC WORKS

WELLINGTON. The lists for the New Zealand Government's £4,500,000 internal 4 per cent. loan closed recently, being fully subscribed.

The money is to be used for public works and general development purposes, including capital expenditure on defence.—Reuter.

Ten Nations Discuss

RICHARD GREENE, the British film star, has been injured in an unusual car accident in Hollywood.

He was working at the radiator of his parked car when the brakes of a car in front loosened, allowing the car to roll back and crush him between the bumpers.

Greene was taken to hospital with both legs badly bruised, the cartilages torn, and a bone below the left knee chipped.

Twentieth Century films have suspended production of Greene's present picture until he is able to resume work.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$.....1,325 b.

H.K. Banks Lon. £.....150 n.

Chartered £.....74 n.

Mercantile A. & D. £.....25 1/2 n.

Mercantile C. £.....12 n.

East Asia \$.....80 n.

INSURANCES

Cantons \$.....230 s.

Unions \$.....437 1/2 n.

China Underwriters \$.....135 sa.

H.K. Fire \$.....185 s.

SHIPPING

Douglas s. a. d.).....67 n.

Steamboats \$.....15 n.

Indo-China, P.S.60 n.

Indo-China, DS.30 n.

Shell Bearers \$/.....83 1/2 n.

Waterboats \$.....80 1/2 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves \$.....110 s.

Docks \$.....10 1/2 n.

Providents \$.....4 1/2 n.

New Eng. Sh. \$.....80 1/2 n.

Sh. Docks, Sh. \$.....100 n.

MINING

Kallan \$/.....18/ n.

Raubs \$.....80 1/2 n.

Venz. Gold \$.....4 n.

Hongkong Mines cts.4 n.

LANDS

Hotels \$.....5 1/2 s.

Lands \$.....35 1/2 n.

Lands C. deb. \$.....par. b.

S'ln Lunds Sh. \$.....9 30 n.

Humphreys \$.....8 1/2 n.

H.K. Realities \$.....4 1/2 n.

Chinese Estates \$.....100 n.

UTILITIES

Trans. \$.....16 1/2 n.

Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 1/2 n.

Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 70 n.

Star Ferries \$.....60 1/2 s.

Y. Ferries \$.....22 1/2 n.

China Lights (old) \$.....9 1/2 n.

China Lights (new) \$.....5 80 n.

H.K. Electric \$.....5 1/2 n.

Macao Electrics \$.....5 1/2 n.

Sandakan Lights \$.....12 n.

Telephones (old) \$.....23 1/2 n.

Telephones (new) \$.....7 1/2 n.

Tractions \$/.....20/ n.

Traction (Pref.) \$/.....22/ n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Magt. (ord.) Sh. \$.....14 n.

Cald. Magt. (Pre.) Sh. \$.....13 n.

Canion Icos \$.....1 1/2 n.

Comets S.14 n.

H.K. Ropes \$.....3 70 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) \$.....21 1/2 n.

Dairy Farms (new) \$.....21 n.

Watson's S.8 45 n.

Lane, Crawfords \$.....7 50 n.

Sinceres \$.....1 60 n.

Wing (H.K.) S.41 b.

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COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. S.18 60 n.

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Zoong Sing, Sh. S.42 n.

Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$.....48 1/2 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$.....0 00 n.

Constructions \$.....1 55 n.

Vbro Rilling S.8 1/2 n.

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Marsmans (Lon.) \$/.....13 0 n.

Marsmans (H.K.) \$/.....4 n.

£988 MILLIONS FOR ARMS

LONDON, June 27.—British expenditure on armaments from 1936 to 1938 inclusive amounted to £988,588,932, declared Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer to-day.

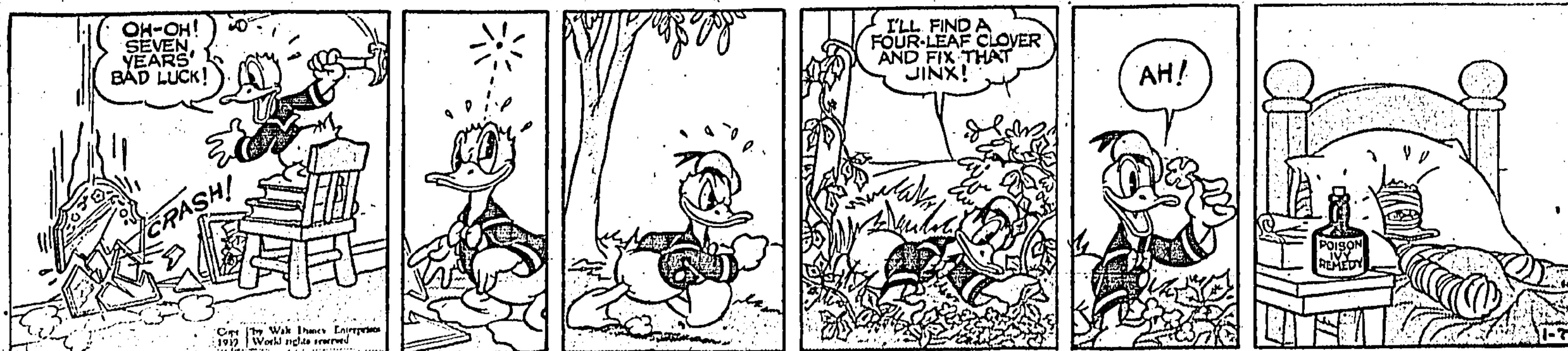
Of this amount £193,000,000, which is 19.5 per cent. of the total, were covered by loans.—Trans-Ocean.

New Attempts To Raise Thetis

LONDON, June 27.—Attempts to raise the sunken submarine Thetis are to be resumed on Thursday, if weather conditions permit.

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U.S. Legislation Causes Record Silver Slump

WASHINGTON, June 27.

THE UNITED STATES Treasury to-day set the price for foreign silver at 40 cents per ounce, as compared with the previous price of 43 cents per ounce.

Treasury officials were shocked at the Senate vote, which repeals the silver purchase programme.

They explain that this removes a club which was useful in United States international dealings.

They insist that they never intended to use dollar devaluation in an effort to manipulate domestic economy but merely to protect the United States against the possible cheapening of foreign currencies.

They added that China has not much more silver stocks to sell.—United Press.

Lowest In Two Years

MONTREAL, June 27.—Reacting to the Senate's vote to discontinue the purchase of foreign silver, spot silver bid prices were the lowest here to-day since December, 1937.

London Nose-Dive

LONDON, June 27.—The Senate's foreign silver vote produced the biggest nose-dive in London silver prices since March, 1938.

The slump is attributed to complete lack of support and not through heavy sales.—United Press.

Roosevelt's Opinion

HYDE PARK, June 27.—President Roosevelt to-day said if Congress strips him of his power to devalue the dollar it will return the control of money to Wall Street and international speculators.

Likewise, he said, it would deal a blow to national defence and would, in effect, be an open invitation to speculators to manipulate the dollar with resultant injury to the United States foreign trade, thereby weakening national defence.

He did not reveal what future course the Administration will take but hinted that Administration leaders might find it necessary to prolong the

WOULD AID BRITAIN

New Neutrality Legislation In U.S.

WASHINGTON, June 27. THE GOVERNMENT to-day introduced its Neutrality amendment bill to the House of Representatives, which faced the prospect of an all-night sitting to discuss the bill.

Introducing the measure, Representative Sol Bloom, acting chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said the Administration did not intend to enforce any east-iron principles.

The bill was open to any reasonable amendments, and those who felt it fell short of the ideal, were invited to suggest improvements.

A strong coalition of 48 Senators are apparently determined to block the entire monetary bill if it returns from the House without approval of yesterday's Senate amendments.—Reuter.

No Explanation

New York, June 27.—While there is no official explanation of the Treasury's reduction in the foreign silver price, it is suggested that it is motivated by a widening spread between London and New York which might have resulted in unusually heavy tenders to the Treasury, should the price have remained unchanged.—Reuter.

"Biggest Fire" In London

London, June 27.—What is believed to have been the biggest fire in the city of London since 1897 occurred in The Barbican, close to Fleet Street this evening.

The flames involved a mantle manufacturer's wholesale store, a jeweller and a milliner, and then leapt across the narrow New Zealand Avenue to a furnisher's warehouse.

Numerous women of the Auxiliary Fire Service, and workers anxious to gain experience of a really big fire, enthusiastically assisted scores of regular fire engine teams.

Firemen, crawling like flies on the dizzy heights of the surrounding buildings, directed water on the furnace below until the streets were streaming six-inches deep.

The fire occurred after normal business hours when the buildings were mostly empty, but there were many dramatic escapes.

The total casualties were four injured.—Reuter Special.

LETTERS

"THETIS" DISASTER FUND

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir, The above Fund was closed on the 24th June, the total contributions received being \$4,520.00.

At our request the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation have very kindly remitted the sum of £277,15.10 (being the equivalent of \$4,520, ex. 1/2 3/4) to their London Office, with instructions to them to send this sum on to the Lord Mayor's Fund as a donation from sympathisers in Hongkong, together with a copy of our appeal, and a complete list of the contributors.

We desire to take this opportunity of thanking His Excellency the Governor and all the other contributors for having so kindly responded to our appeal, and the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for their kind offices.

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A Look Through The Telegraph

50 YEARS AGO

June 24, 1889. The sale by public auction of valuable machinery, plant, &c. at the Machine Shop, lately in the occupation of Messrs. J. W. Crokers & Co., Bowrington, will take place some day in July next. For further particulars apply to G. H. Bennett, auctioneer.

25 YEARS AGO

June 24, 1914. The situation in Albania is daily becoming more hopeless. The Queen of Albania has invited the Princess of Istanbulla to send her children to Rumelia. The Turkish flag flies over the towns which the insurgents have captured.

10 YEARS AGO

June 23, 1929. The Reichstag has rejected a motion for the censure of Dr. Stresemann of the Foreign Ministry. In the face of the fact that the German National Party, the Faust, and the Communists were aligned against the Government. Tomorrow, June 29th, in the tenth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Versailles, and President Hindenburg and the Government have jointly issued a manifesto, proclaiming the day of national mourning. In September of the Treaty, which for a decade has weighed heavily upon all classes and the economic and intellectual life of the nation.

The manifesto emphatically repudiated the insertion of Germany's sole guilt for the war.

5 YEARS AGO

June 23, 1934. A serious international incident last night in which two European police sergeants of the Settlement Police were detained by the Japanese Naval authorities after a scuffle in Honkow, has given rise to an atmosphere of acute tension.

It was not until the personal intervention of the Commandant of Police that the release of one of the officers was secured. The other was not allowed to go until four hours later.

It is revealed that Sergeant J. W. Bellamy was twice violently attacked and beaten by Japanese civilians and a highly critical situation was only

rumours of considerable expansion

in Britain's air, land and sea forces in the near future are the subject of considerable comment in the United States.

It is the general opinion that in the present state of worldwide political tension, the development cannot be

criticised.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued 4 p.m. Tuesday says:

The tone of the market was firm all day with a good enquiry which was not satisfied at the close.

Buyers

H.K. Bank \$1,325.

Raubs \$40.

H.K. Lands 4% Debentures par.

H.K. Tramways \$16.60.

China Lights (old) \$8.20.

H.K. Electric \$55.

Canton Ices \$1.

Watsons \$8.45.

Wing On (H.K.) \$41.

H.K. Govt. 4%pm.

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Canton Ins. \$230.

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H.K. Bank \$1,335.

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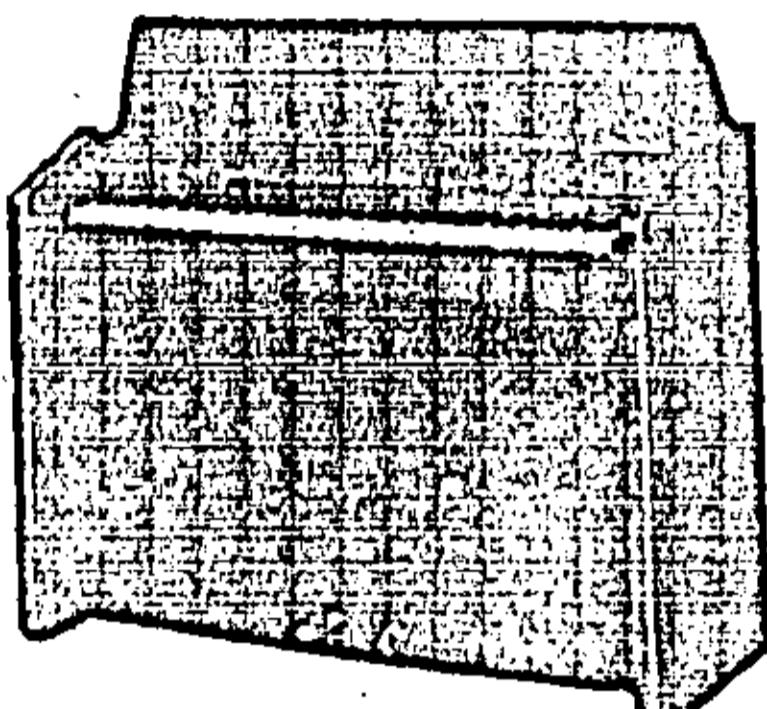
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Blockade Threat

THE REASON for Hongkong apprehension that Britain will not insist that the Japanese blockades of Canton, Kongmoon, Kulangsu, Tientsin, Shanghai, or Hongkong, to the Yangtze River ports should not be extended to the treaty ports of Swatow, Foochow and Wenchow is evident when an examination of the trade figures for these three centres is made.

Any stoppage of shipping with any of these southern ports will have a serious effect on this Colony, not merely from the point of view of trade, but by virtue of the fact that we are now almost entirely relying on them as our sources of food supplies for the abnormal population we have to support.

Trade figures for the first six months of 1939 are not available. But an examination of the official figures for 1938 is illuminating. The total import and export trade of the three ports last year was £5,743,530, comprising £1,647,962 imports and £4,095,568 exports. Of the exports, Hongkong took over twenty-five per cent., this Colony's total being £1,717,932.

It is an interesting fact that, during 1938, Hongkong took 95 per cent. of the total exports of Foochow and Wenchow—food-stuffs valued at £514,348 out of a total of £520,825 from the former, and valued at £402,480, out of a total of £444,483 from the latter.

Any Japanese blockade of these ports means, therefore, that Hongkong has to turn elsewhere for its food supplies. And, with the Japanese not gradually drawing tighter along the China coast, there is nowhere else to turn.

The United States, Netherlands East Indies, United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, Germany and France are all interested in the import trade of the three treaty ports threatened by Japan. Last year the United Kingdom exported goods to the value of £308,900 to Swatow, £7,630 to Foochow and £34,103 to Wenchow. Her imports from the three ports amounted to £86,274.

Next to Hongkong, however, the principal country interested in the blockade is the United States, which from Swatow alone imported goods to the value of £1,132,057.

It is this very important trade that Japan is now seeking to destroy and divert to herself, as she has already done in other parts of China.

It behoves not only Great Britain but all the interested Powers to see that the rape of their trade in Canton and the Yangtze Valley is not repeated on the coast.

THERE are even two categories of tickets obtainable, the better grade entitling us to caviare with our meal, supposing there is any. To-day our luck is in, and the caviare is forthcoming, enabling us to look down our noses at the passengers whose tickets do not entitle them to it.

But, to our astonishment, the proletariat are up and coming,

The 9.10 from Manchuli

ACCOUNT OF THE WORLD'S MOST EXCITING RAIL JOURNEY

by Lawrence Impey

TWICE a week, at 9.10 of a morning, there pulls out from Manchuli, on the Manchukuo border, one of the world's most remarkable trains—the Trans-Siberian express.

I have just travelled home from Peiping to London by this exciting overland route, and my diary of the trip has some strange entries now I come to look back on it. Here's a sample:

We are a motley gathering as we leave Manchukuo. Mostly women, some with children, wives or daughters of men who are remaining in Dairen, Tientsin, Shanghai, or Hongkong, to watch their business interests at this critical time. One or two among us are business men dashing to London, Paris, or Berlin to inform our office headquarters of conditions in the Far East.

We have our baggage turned topsy-turvy by the Manchukuo Customs officials, and now submit to the same critical examination at the hands of the Soviet "comrades."

What they expect to find in it is hard to imagine, as the items which attract most attention are a book of family snapshots and any form of personal letters, which they endeavour to read with the utmost interest.

Money, of course, is counted and recounted and entered on an official form signed by both parties. And then we change our sterling at the rate of 12 roubles to the £—1s. 8d. per rouble at frontier value.

One unfortunate woman has unguardedly allowed her porters to carry a box of chocolates, a tennis racket, a bag of oranges, plus her suit-cases, and protests bitterly at a bill of 12s. for portage.

We who are wiser festoon ourselves with packages. A police officer from Hongkong strides manfully along with a dozen bottles of beer in one hand and a supply of whisky and gin dangling from the other. He will have the laugh on us later, when we get to Soviet Russia, where beer costs 5s. 6d. a bottle and is unbelievably bad at that.

A Woman Alone

WE sort ourselves into our compartments, and fresh complications arise. A British woman is alone in a compartment, as also is a British man. Soviet authority swoops down on this waste of space and demands that they share a coupe.

The suggestion is bitterly opposed by the woman. The Soviet reply, "In that case we may have to put a Russian man in your coupe at some stage of the journey; you had better put up with your fellow-countryman."

To which the woman, confused by the issue, skilfully counters, "A Frenchman or a German or a Russian conceivably, but an Englishman never. It would get all round town, and my reputation would be ruined for ever."

This diplomatic evasion bewilders the Soviet, who retires to consider the matter, and finally compromise by producing a Russian woman with two children, all three to occupy the upper bunk.

The train departs well behind time, but nobody seems to care, and presently we go along to the dining-car. Here we produce food coupons bought outside Russia, which entitle us to a meal at reduced rates.

Caviare—With Luck

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If you wanted to travel from the Far East to London you could choose one of these three routes:

1—By TRAIN to Manchuli, there to join the Trans-Siberia Railway to the Polish frontier. Total time, Hongkong to London, 16 days. Fare £32 if bought in yen, or £55 if bought in sterling.

2—By SEA liner to England via Suez. Total time 5½ weeks. Fare £115.

3—By AIR Hongkong to Bangkok and flying boat to London. Time 7 days Hongkong to London. Fare £145.

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BALANCE of Naval POWER

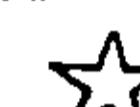
By Lt.-Commander

HUGH LONGDEN, R.N., Retd.

THE United States is taking steps to become the Mistress of the Seas, and it is suggested that she is going to form an Atlantic Fleet—which might be an excellent thing for the peace of the world.

We must admit that she is Mistress of the Pacific, but Great Britain is still Mistress of the other Six Seas.

America has just announced officially that she has ordered three 35,000-ton battleships, and we can assume they will be ready in about three years. In addition to this I learn—though it has not yet been officially stated—that she is about to lay down two 45,000-ton battleships, and these will be the biggest in the world.



At present the United States Navy has 15 battleships in commission and two almost completed, the North Carolina and the Washington, which are similar in size and armament to the three that have just been ordered.

The United States Navy has no battle cruisers comparable with our own Hood and Renown.

Great Britain has 12 battleships and three battle cruisers in commission, five battleships building (due to be ready in 1940), and two more authorised and about to be laid down. Thus in two years' time we will clearly be superior to the United States Fleet in capital ships, though they will have caught up with us by 1942.

Starting with the future and working backwards, we have the Lion and Temeraire, the two battleships authorised in the 1938 programme, but not yet ordered.

They will be of 40,000 tons—slightly smaller than the two unborn projected American ones—and will carry 16in. guns.



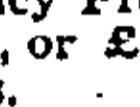
Then last year we laid down the five I have mentioned, which are known as the King George V type. They consist of the King George V, the Prince of Wales, Anson, Jellicoe, and Bentayga, which will be 35,000-tonners, mounted with 14in. guns and 21in. torpedo tubes, and will carry aircraft. It is officially stated that "their anti-aircraft armament will be extensive," but I cannot yet tell you their speed.

Then we came to the latest battleships in commission, the Nelson and Rodney, twins, both just under 34,000 tons.

These are of course the most powerful battleships in the world, which is not surprising as they cost £7,500,000 to build, and the annual cost of their maintenance in full commission is approximately £350,000.

It is interesting to note that they are the only ships in any Navy with torpedo tubes of more than 21in. The range of their guns is 17½ sea miles, and the cost of firing one triple salvo is £700. (In the event of war, taxpayers please note!)

Next in order of seniority we come to our three battle cruisers, the Hood, Renown, and Repulse, of which the latest is the Hood, completed in 1920—the most powerful battle cruiser in the world. She was built under the War Emergency Programme at a cost of £6,000,000, or £145 per ton, as she is 42,000 tons.



The Renown and Repulse are smaller, 32,000 tons. Next are the five Royal Sovereign class, the Ramillies, Royal Sovereign, Royal Oak, Revenge, and Resolution, completed in 1916-17.

And finally we have the five good old ships of the Queen Elizabeth class—of which the Queen Elizabeth, Malaya, Valiant, Barham, and Warspite. They all carry four aircraft, with catapults, except Barham, which carries one.

These ships cost £3,000,000 to build originally, but since then they have been considerably altered and modernised.

We have five aircraft-carriers in commission, including the Ark Royal (just finished), and five building, including the Implacable (just ordered). The new ones will be 23,000 tons—slightly bigger than the Glorious and Courageous—and they will each carry about 50 planes.

The United States Navy has only three carriers in commission and three building.

As for cruisers, we have 15 mounting 8in. guns, and 45 mounting 6in. guns, as well as 14 building and seven ordered of these. The United States has 18 mounting 8in. guns (one building) and 10 mounting 6in. guns (two not completed).

Of destroyers we have 167, and 32 building (most of which will be ready late next year), whereas the United States has 210 in commission and 35 being built.

Lately we come to submarines, motor torpedo boats, and submarine chasers.

We have 62 submarines, and 12 building. America has 61, and 10 building. She has 15 submarine chasers, and we have 8 M.T.B.s, and 24 building.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichity



and not only caviare but champagne is on the menu of three of the larger stations. The crops officers at the next table. Awed are better, there are cattle by this extravagance, we whisper to each other that they working on the land which was must get a rebate or a pass, the untilled before.

Much of this is probably accounted for by the new Soviet policy of sending divisions out to the East together with their womenfolk, and allotting to them on arrival certain tracts of land, which they are encouraged to cultivate for their own benefit.

Troops Trek to the East

SIX months ago there were said to be at least half a million Russian soldiers in Eastern Siberia. And to judge by our own experience, this number has been largely augmented recently. During the four days which our train takes to cross Siberia we pass on the average three trains an hour proceeding eastwards and carrying munitions, aeroplane parts, tanks, lorries, and motor-launches fitted with light armaments.

Women's dresses must be fantastically dear, for we cannot find a single well-dressed woman—by European standards—during the whole of our troops.

It seems that the Soviet authorities intend Siberia to be a self-contained military area, along the line since my last trip in 1937.

There is, however, a vast improvement in conditions all along the line since my last trip in 1937.

Roads are being built, houses are going up everywhere, cars

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

All Soviet Demands May Be Met

London, June 27. That Britain has decided to meet all the Soviet demands is inferred from the Tuesday morning papers. In reports which indicate official inspiration, the diplomatic correspondents declare that following a conference of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons, Sir William Seeds, the British Ambassador in Moscow, would be instructed to request a new interview with M. Molotov.

Sir William would inform M. Molotov that Great Britain is prepared to give an explicit guarantee to the three Baltic States, to be enumerated by name.

The guarantee is to be contained in an appendix to the alliance pact, which is not to be published. In addition, Great Britain is prepared to enter into General Staff discussions immediately after the conclusion of the pact.

The papers report that political quarters in London are of the opinion that under these circumstances an agreement would be reached in the very near future.—Trans-Ocean.

Propaganda Work

Butler Explains To Press Union

London, June 27. The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, addressing the Empire Department of the Foreign Office, said, "We do not aim at any factory propaganda. The word 'factory' gives the impression that something is being made up. We rather aim at a studio where pictures of ourselves can be taken."

Speaking on the Government's foreign policy, Mr. Butler pointed out that in the League system there was provision for peaceful change. "To-day we are not against change, but we are against change by forceful methods," he added.—Reuter.

Importance Of Press

London, June 27. Mr. Butler said that the Press was gaining a more definite place in its relationship to the Government, and seemed to be establishing for itself a more and more definite place in the Constitution.

"In some other countries," he said, "this closer relationship is marked by issuing uniforms to journalists and Press photographers, but here the link is one of confidence."

Continuing, Mr. Butler said, "Our chief virtue is a wish for peace. The British Empire is like a large family and has much the same feeling that a large family would have if its aims are aggressive and it doesn't want uncertainty, yet it must look to the future—the future in which there can be some sort of security, particularly for its younger members who are growing up."

"We hear in the east and west demands for a New Order. The objective of the Empire is something even greater than that. Our objective is that of world order!"—Reuter.

JAPAN'S FINANCES Control of Huge Funds For Coming Year

Tokyo, June 27. The National Planning Council is formulating a plan for the control of funds during the current fiscal year, with a view to accommodating a total of yen 1,000,000,000 for the execution of important Government enterprises, including the disposal of public loans and the expansion of productive capacity.

It is estimated that yen 600,000,000 will be needed in absorbing public loans, while the proposed expansion of productive capacity requires about yen 400,000,000.

While unnecessary funds, or those which are not urgently needed, will be restricted, funds necessary for public enterprises will be mobilised positively, on the strength of the Temporary Fund Adjustment Act and Article 11 of the National General Mobilisation Act.

Efforts will be made to increase popular deposits in banks, post offices, trust companies, credit societies, insurance companies and other monetary organs.—Domel.

FUND FOR RELIEF

Chinese Commander Gives Reward of \$70,000

Nanyang, Honan, June 27. General Huang Yu-chou who has been awarded \$70,000 Chinese currency by order of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for his bravery on the battlefield has telegraphed to Madam Chiang, Chairman of the Women and Children Relief Association, offering the fund for relief purposes.—Central News.

Tercentenary

Barbados, June 27. Barbados is celebrating today 300 years of representative Government.

Both Houses of Parliament sent a message of loyalty to the King and a message of good wishes to the House of Commons.

Stained glass windows with portraits of the King and Queen and King George V will be added to the portraits of other British sovereigns in the Barbados House of Representatives.—Reuter Bulletin.

SINGAPORE TALKS

Admiral Noble Leaves

Singapore, June 27. Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, Chief of the Australian Navy Board, arrived here to-day and attended a meeting of the Defence Conference, which is ending to-night when H.M.S. Kent with Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Major General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., on board, is sailing for Hongkong and later for Wellington.

The French cruiser Lamotte Picquet, with Admiral Decoux on board, is sailing north next Thursday.—United Press.

Kent Leaves Singapore

Singapore, June 27. H.M.S. Kent has sailed.—United Press.

Australian View

Singapore, June 27. Vice-Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, First Naval Member of the Australian Naval Board, interviewed to-day, said that Singapore is vitally important for the security of the Commonwealth which was therefore tremendously interested in the Anglo-French Defence Conference.

The Vice-Admiral said that he was on his way to London to report to the Admiralty concerning the discussions and decisions connected with the defence of Singapore.

Sir Ragnar Colvin arrived aboard H.M.S. Swan and spent two to three hours in discussing with Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief, China Station, the decisions of the recent Pacific Defence Conference in New Zealand in relation to the Anglo-French talks.

He leaves for London on Friday and in the meanwhile he will continue the talks with the Staff Officers.—United Press.

JAPANESE SALMON

Further Questions In House Of Commons

London, June 27. Questioned again in the House of Commons to-day regarding Japanese tinned salmon, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade pointed out that there was no power to require such imports to carry the name of the country of origin unless they bore the name of a firm or trade mark which purported to be that of a United Kingdom firm or any name or place in the United Kingdom.

Mr. T. Johnston (Lab., West Stirling) produced a tinned salmon label and pointed out the words "foreign produce" only stamped in very small type, and asked whether it was not desirable that the British public in view of what was going on in the Far East, should be made aware of the character and origin of the goods they were buying.

Mr. Stanley replied that, quite apart from this question, he was considering the possibility of amending the law in that direction and hoped shortly to be able to announce his decision.

Comparative Figures

Mr. Stanley in reply to further questions said the House had to look at the question from all angles. There was a very strong feeling in the English industry at the time of the Merchandise Marks Act that there were many cases in which the obligation to mark goods with the name of the country of origin actually harmed the English trade.

Mr. Johnson urged that something be done before the end of the session and said the bulk of the goods were lying in London and he wished the sale of those goods already here might be stopped. Mr. Stanley promised early attention would be given in any definite way regarding the question.

Referring to the reported role of the White Russians in the Tientsin affair, the Japanese Commander said that they had no connection with the Tientsin affair. White Russians maintained full sympathy and readiness to co-operate with Japanese in executing anti-Comintern policies, the Commander added.—Domel.

Tientsin Quieter

JAPANESE STILL DENY BARRIER INDIGNITIES

Tientsin, June 27.

Lieutenant General Masaharu Homma, Commander of the Tientsin Garrison, told the Press that there were no substantiated reports of barrier indignities. Nevertheless, to-day he issued new orders to the sentries stating that stripping was not necessary for a sufficiently thorough examination.

He exploded the theory that the local military group is acting independently, by stating that the Tokyo Government had ordered the present restrictions.

Explaining that he was not informed of any result of the Anglo-Japanese negotiations at Tokyo or elsewhere, General Homma said that he was unable to reveal the "trump cards" by discussing the conditions for lifting the restrictions. However, he declared that the Japanese people and also the Government were satisfied with Great Britain's pro-Chiang Kai-shek policy.

General Homma emphasized that Tientsin was not "blockaded," the Japanese merely imposing "traffic restrictions" at the Concession boundaries for the purpose of preventing the use of the British Concession by Communists and anti-Japanese elements, which purpose has "been achieved."

He reiterated that there was no intention of halting food supplies although the barrier inspection would necessarily cause delays.

Referring to the stripping, without admitting that it actually occurred, General Homma pointed out that some sentries and also Chinese policemen, who do the actual searching, are simple peasants whose ideals of modesty differ from those of foreigners. He said that the Japanese did not hesitate to disrobe publicly, even in the presence of both sexes, and offered as an example the mixed bath in Japan. He jokingly offered to illustrate by disrobing before the 40 assembled correspondents, but the correspondents agreed to take his word for it.

He declared that any British reprisals will not alter the Japanese determination and pointed out that the restrictions are flexible and could be tightened if desired.

General Homma is a huge man for a Japanese, weighing perhaps 200 pounds. He spoke fluent English, having spent six years in the Japanese Military Attaché's Office at London. He was also a member of the Japanese delegation to the Coronation of King George VI.—United Press.

Non-Commital

Tientsin, June 27. The Commander of the Japanese Garrison in Tientsin to-day received 18 foreign correspondents and faced a barrage of pointed questions regarding the isolation of the British and French Concessions.

Queried what definite formula could be formulated for settling the currency question in the British Concession, the Commander said that the matter was under study. He hinted at the desirability of increasing the conversion of Federal Reserve notes into foreign currency. The Chinese legal tender was popular because it could more easily be converted into foreign currency, the Commander added.

A foreign reporter asked how long the isolation would continue, to which the Japanese Commander replied that it would be kept up until the Japanese object was attained. Asked about the attitude of the German and Italian residents toward the Japanese isolation, the Commander voiced appreciation of their sympathetic understanding of the Japanese stand, as well as their readiness to co-operate with the Japanese.

Questioned as to whether, if Britain retaliated against the Japanese action, Japan was determined to enforce the isolation until a settlement was secured, the Japanese Commander said that discretion dictated him not to commit himself in any definite way regarding the question.

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No More Indignities

Tientsin, June 27. The commander of the Japanese forces at Tientsin stated to-day that he has given fresh instructions to sentries stationed on the borders of the Concessions.

He said that he thought that it was unnecessary to strip foreigners to search them. He added that the Japanese authorities had no intention of preventing the entry of foodstuffs to the Concessions, and that freedom of the river was maintained.

He concluded that the blockade could be continued until the Japanese demands were met.

Fifteen European passengers, who arrived in Tientsin on Friday by a coastal steamer, were allowed to land to-day.

Food aboard the ship was running short on Sunday, but the Japanese refused any one to land as they stated that they wished to examine the cargo of the vessel.—Reuter Bulletin.

Testimony Of Tientsin Woman Resident

The assurance, on her own knowledge, that discrimination was being shown against British subjects in the Tientsin blockade was given by Mrs.

Palestine Unrest

Jerusalem, June 27. Five persons were injured when a bomb placed in the mail box of the Syrian Orphans' Home of the German Mission exploded with a tremendous detonation this morning, tearing a large hole in the wall of the building.

An Arab merchant was shot by unknown persons last night when he was closing his shop quite close to the police station. In Haifa an Arab was shot and killed, last night.—Trans-Ocean.

New Japan-Australia Trade Pact

Tokyo, June 27. It is revealed from authoritative sources that a new understanding has successfully been concluded between Japan and Australia with a view to adjusting the trade relations between the two countries.

No specification is understood to have been made in the new understanding with regard to the term of its operation. It follows, therefore, that it will remain in force until, and unless, either of the parties unilaterally abrogates it.

The present arrangement provides:

Japan import two-thirds of her whole wool imports from Australia;

Japan's export of cotton textiles and rayon, including staple fibre, to Australia is restricted annually to 51,250,000 square yards;

Australia apply medium tariff to imports of cotton and rayon from Japan;

Primer duties be five per cent. ad valorem, as in the past.

With the existing arrangement expiring at the end of June, the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Rubin Akiyama, at Sydney, by order of his home Government, opened negotiations with the Australian Government on July 7.

The Australian Government has agreed to adhere to the existing formula concerning import of Japanese goods for the time being.—Domel.

Extended For Year?

Canberra, June 27. It is learned on good authority that substantial progress was made on Monday in the trade negotiations between Japan and Australia, and that conclusion of a new agreement replacing the existing one, which expires at the end of this month will be officially announced simultaneously at Canberra and Tokyo this afternoon.

The negotiations have been conducted here between Mr. Rubin Akiyama, the Japanese Consul-General at Sydney, and the Minister for Trade and Customs of the Australian Government at Canberra.

Informed quarters understand that under the agreement the existing arrangement will be extended for another year.—Domel.

Mutual Agreement

Canberra, June 27. Australia and Japan are not entering into the new trade agreement to replace the present one, expiring on June 30.

Japan, however, has given a voluntary undertaking to grant to Australia two-thirds of her total wool imports, and to maintain the same control of exports of piece goods to Australia as has operated since the beginning of 1937.—Reuter Bulletin.

HONGKONG REFUGEES Over 800 Accommodated At San Uk Ling

CLIPPER AT GUAM Magazine Photographer On World Tour

Manila, June 27. The China Clipper arrived from Guam this afternoon. The passengers include Life magazine's photographer, Norman Lee, who is on a world-girdling photographic trip and will leave for Hongkong to-morrow.

Pan American is placing the new 45 passenger Boeing plane on the trans-Pacific route beginning with Thursday's departure from San Francisco. This, it is believed, presages the withdrawal of either the China Clipper or the Philippines Clipper for resumption of the service between Hawaii and New Zealand, which was terminated with the Samoan Clipper last year.

—United Press.

Denebola Departs

Carrying 507 kilos of mail, the Imperial Airways plane Denebola left Kai Tak aerodrome yesterday morning for Bangkok. There were no passengers.

AIR SERVICE

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia and British countries: Imperial Airways, 7 a.m. June 30; Imperial Airways, 7 a.m. July 4.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. services indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila and Guam: Pan-American Honolulu Clipper 8.30 a.m. June 29.

For France, via Hanoi: Air France 6.30 a.m. July 1.

Inward

From London and British countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. June 29; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. July 3.

From U.S.A., via Guam and Manila: Pan-American June 28.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France 1 p.m. June 28.

EVACUATING CITY All Civilians Out Of Chungking by Friday

Chungking, June 27.

The authorities announce a deadline of June 30 for the evacuation of civilians from Chungking will be fully enforced. Individuals not complying with the order will be liable to prison sentences or fines, while shops and businesses will be ordered to suspend business.

Garrison Headquarters are planning special agents in the city boundaries to examine all arrivals in order to ascertain whether they possess permits.

Most foreign residents have received permits from their embassies, although some report difficulty in obtaining permits for their servants.—United Press.



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LADIES' SINGLES EVENT COMMENCES AT WIMBLEDON

ENGLAND WINS FIRST TEST BY 8 WICKETS

George Headley Scores A Century In Each Innings

Despite a splendid effort by George Headley, who scored 107, the West Indies were dismissed for only 225 in their second innings in the First Test match at Lord's yesterday, and England obtained the necessary runs for victory with eight wickets in hand.

This was Headley's second century in the match as he made 106 out of 277 in the tourists' first innings.

England declared at Monday's overnight score of 404 for five wickets, and therefore required only 99 runs in the second knock.

At one stage of the match, the West Indies appeared to have a good chance of forcing a draw, but apart from Headley no-one else in the side was able to face the hostile English bowlers.

London, June 27. England declared at their overnight total of 404 for five wickets this morning on the third day of the First Test against the West Indies, holding a lead of 127 runs in the first/innings scores.

At the lunch interval the visitors had lost three wickets for 117.

Stollmeyer and Grant opened the second innings of the visitors, and without a run being scored Stollmeyer was caught by Verity off Copson.

Headley and Grant made matters lively until 42 was reached, when Grant was bowled by Bowes. The retiring batsmen contributed 23.

Sealey joined Headley and the partnership produced 63 runs, when the newcomer, who had made 20, was caught by Wood off Copson.

Weekes was next man in and he had six runs to his credit at the lunch interval, Headley being 54 not out, and the total 117 for 3.

Headley played like a master and he, with the other players, stood up extremely well in a grand fight against the strong England attack.

WEEKES DISMISSED

After lunch, Headley and Weekes took the score to 154, at which stage the latter solicited a ball from Verity into the hands of Wood behind the wicket. Weekes had contributed 16.

Constantine then came out to join Headley, who was batting splendidly. Playing very orthodox cricket, Constantine was taking no chances whatsoever at the start, but with the total standing at 190, he was caught by Martindale off Verity. He and which made up the necessary runs

Headley had added 36 to the score, his own contribution being 17.

With only nine runs added Cameron, the newcomer, was caught and bowled by Wright. Cameron had not even opened his account.

Then came the end when Headley, on whom all the West Indies hopes were now rested, returned a ball from Wright into the hands of Hutton, who was fielding at silly mid-off.

SPLENDID INNINGS

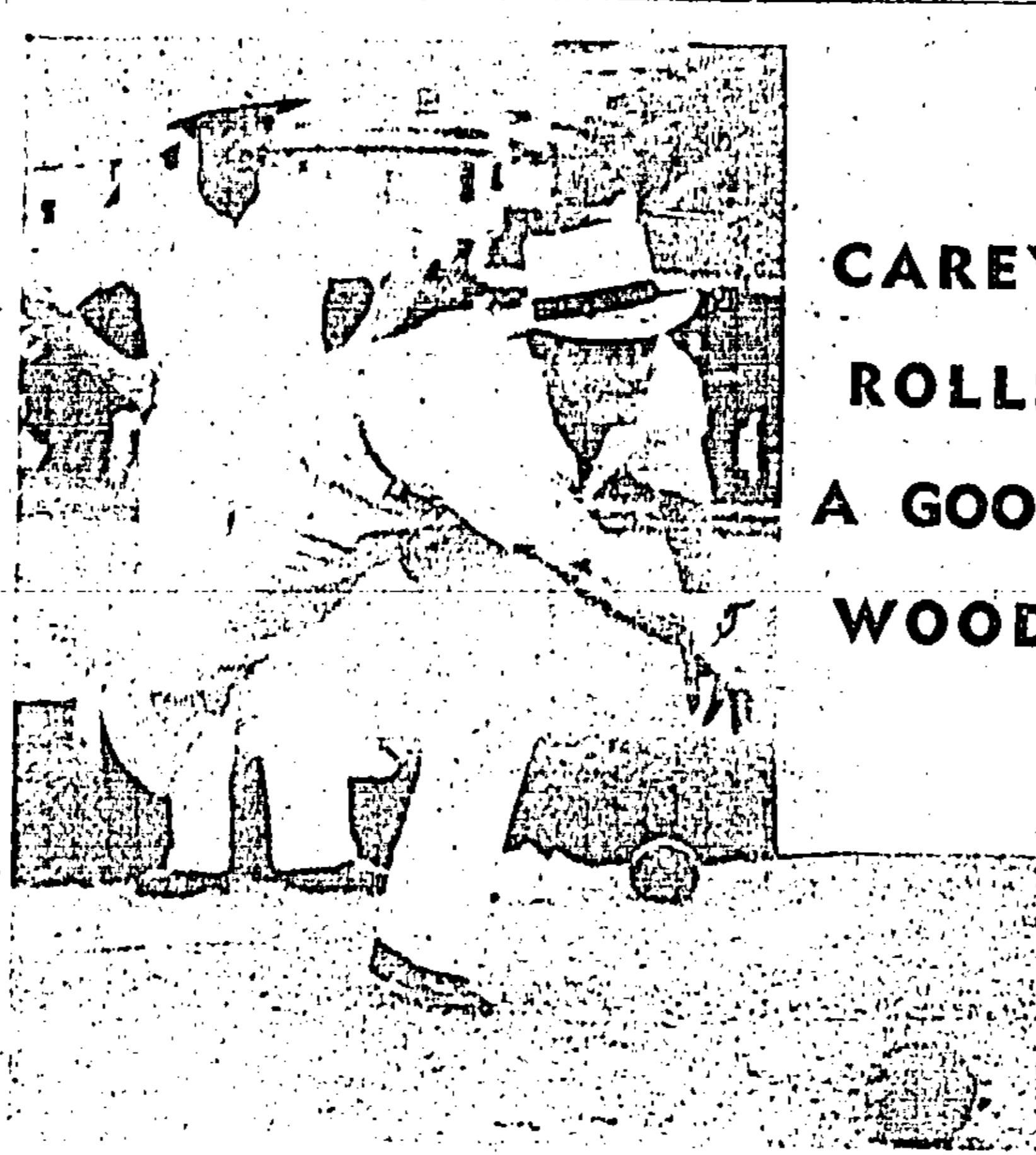
Headley's score was 107, which was the result of a chancelless, fighting innings. He was at the wicket for 239 minutes and hit eight boundaries. Throughout he remained on top of the bowling, and if he was at times troubled by Wright's spin and length, he was never in difficulties against the other English bowlers.

Barrow had six to his credit, Copson was the most successful English bowler with four wickets for 67 runs, while Wright had three for 75 and Verity two for 20.

RUNS HIT OFF

Requiring 99 runs to win, England opened once more with Hutton and Gimblett. When 35 had been put on, Hutton was bowled by Hutton after making 16, and four runs later Gimblett had his stumps disturbed by Martindale. The Somerset man had made 20.

Then Paynter and Hammond became associated in a partnership which made up the necessary runs



A. E. Carey, the Police skip, rolling a good wood in the League match on Saturday against Kowloon Docks. J. C. Brown, the opposing skip, can be seen behind.—Staff Photographer.

SPLENDID BOWLING BY SMAILES IN COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 27. Smiales, who finished sixth in Yorkshire's bowling averages for last season, made history to-day when he took all 10 Derbyshire wickets to dismiss them for 47 runs in their second innings against Yorkshire, who won by 274 runs, at Sheffield.

Yorkshire batted first but were all out for 83. George Pope taking 6 for 44, while Alfred Pope had 4 for 37. Derbyshire's triumph was short-lived, however, as they were skittled out in their first lease of the wicket for only 20 runs. Smathers taking 5 wickets for 7 runs and Smiales 4 wickets for 11 runs, extras being two!

Yorkshire fared much better in

their second innings—and scored 301. Barber reached his century.

Smiles was in deadly mood during Derbyshire's second innings and captured all 10 wickets, his analysis reading:

17.1 overs; five maidens; 17 runs; 10 wickets.—Reuter.

Latest Scores

London, June 27. Hants 93 and 45-1; Middlesex 261. Kent 170 and 13-1; Notts 222 and 207. Lancs 199 and 37-2; Surrey 278 and 240-9. Somerset 223; Leicester 119 and 122-6. Sussex 169; Oxford 178 and 307-7. Warwick 390-9; Northants 333-7. Worcester 386; Gloucester 230 and 202-7.—Reuter Bulletin.

LANCASHIRE v. SURREY

At Manchester, Surrey defeated Lancashire by 14 runs.

Surrey—278 (Phillipson 5 for 61) and 240 for nine wickets declared (Pollard 5 for 63).

Lancashire—199 and 305 (Oldfield 131).

SOMERSET v. LEICESTER

At Bath, Somerset defeated Leicestershire by nine wickets.

Somerset—223 and 89 for 1.

Leicester—119 (Wellard 5 for 40) and 192.

HAMPSHIRE v. MIDDLESEX

At Newport (I.O.W.), Middlesex defeated Hampshire by an innings and 25 runs.

Middlesex—201 (Edrich 118).

Hampshire—93 (Smith 6 for 23) and 143.

WORCESTER v. GLOUCESTER

At Worcester, Worcester defeated Gloucester by five wickets.

Gloucester—236 and 226 (Marine 5 for 60).

Worcester—386 (King 100, Gibbons 194) and 79 for five (Lambert 5 for 46).

KENT v. NOTTS

At Tunbridge Wells, Notts defeated Kent by 13 runs.

Notts—222 (Watt 5 for 50) and 207 (Watt 6 for 67).

Kent—176 and 240 (B. H. Valentine 90, Butler 5 for 87).

SUSSEX v. OXFORD

At Eastbourne, Oxford defeated Sussex by 56 runs.

Oxford—178 (Cox 4 for 0) and 324 (Wood 6 for 77).

Sussex—160 and 277.

WARWICK v. NORTHANTS

At Birmingham, Warwickshire defeated Northants on first innings.

Warwickshire—300 for 9 declared (Dolley 117) and 138 for three.

Northants—378.

—Reuter.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.
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Wright 17 0 75 3
Verity 14 4 20 2
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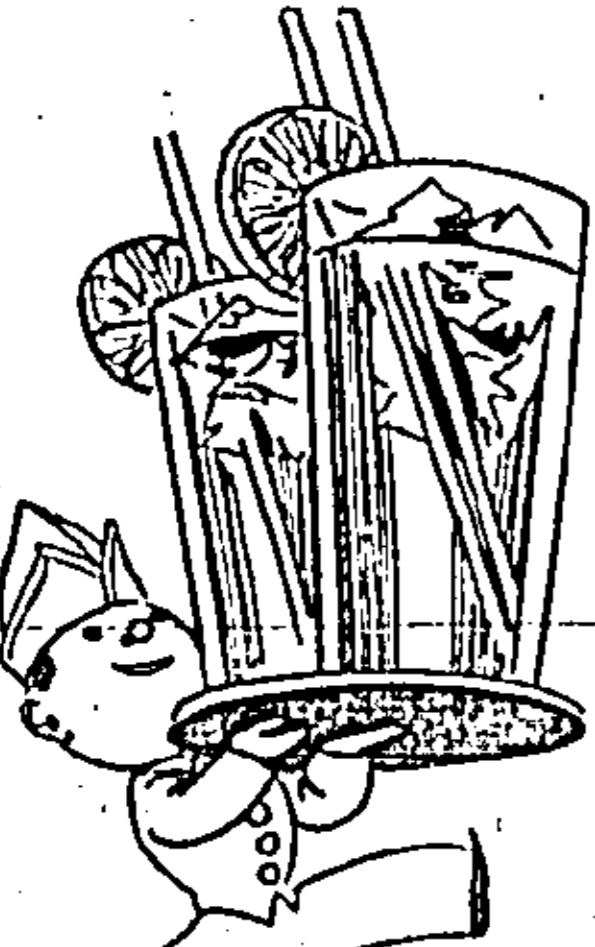
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Kho Scratches From Men's Doubles

London, June 27. Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese Davis Cupper, who scratched from the singles at Wimbledon owing to a back injury, has also scratched from the men's doubles. His partner was to have been G. Lyttelton Rogers.—Reuter.

"SEEDED" PLAYER DEFEATED IN FIRST ROUND

London, June 27. The second day of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships was favoured by brilliant sunshine, and was as usual chiefly reserved for the ladies. Queen Mary was again present and witnessed some of the best matches of the day. The Polish champion, Mlle. Jadwiga Jadrejowska, playing on the Centre Court in the opening match, defeated Madame Meuleester, of Belgium, by 6-3, 6-2.

Miss Gem Hoshing, of China, after winning the first two games in her match with Mrs. Sperling of Denmark, was beaten by 2-0, 0-0.

Mme. Mathieu, the French champion, scored a comfortable victory over Frau Porokov, of Bohemia and Moravia, by 6-1, 6-2, Miss Betty Nuttall fell to Miss Gracyn Wheeler, of the United States, who won after a hard-fought encounter.

Mrs. Burrows Sergeant, the Yorkshire county player, caused a surprise by eliminating Miss Whitmarsh by 4-6, 7-5, 8-6.

In the men's doubles, Edwards and Morton beat J. H. Ho (China) and Bayley (Britain) by 6-3, 6-2, 7-5. He was agile and good in his interceptions at the net, where he made some strong smashes, but Bayley was not impressive apart from his strong service.

Mlle. and Puncic, of Yugoslavia, won their match in the men's doubles by beating Mulliken and Belts, of Britain, by 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.—Reuter.

FULL RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S TIES

The following results of yesterday's matches at Wimbledon are cabled by Trans-Ocean.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

Miss Hamilton (Britain) beat Miss Underwood (Britain) 6-2, 7-5.

Miss Curry (Britain) beat Miss Durlack (U.S.A.) 6-2, 6-1.

Mme. Pannier (France) beat Mrs. Goodwin (Euro) 6-0, 6-0, 6-3.

Miss Mary Hardwick (Britain) beat Miss Thomas (Britain) 10-6, 6-2.

Miss Norman (Britain) 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Susan Noel (Britain) beat Mrs. Thomson (Britain) 6-2, 6-0.

Mrs. Sergeant (Britain) beat Miss Williams (Britain) 6-4, 7-5, 7-5.

Miss Huntbach (Britain) beat Miss Jean (Britain) 6-0, 6-4, 6-2.

Miss MacPherson (Britain) beat Miss Harvey (Britain) 6-0, 6-2, 6-3.

Mme. Bercoff (Hungary) beat Miss Harvey (Britain) 2-0, 6-1, 6-4.

Miss A. M. Yorke (Britain) beat Miss Cartwright (Britain) 6-0, 6-2, 6-3.

Miss Jenkins (Britain) 6-0, 6-0.

Miss May (Britain) 6-0, 6-1, 6-0.

Miss Smith (Britain) 6-0, 6-0, 6-0.

Mrs. O'Connell (Britain) beat Miss McNamee (Ireland) 6-4, 6-0, 6-4.

Miss Trounce (Britain) beat Mrs. Stratton (Ireland) 6-3, 6-1.

Mrs. Peacock (Ireland) 6-2, 6-0, 6-4.

Mrs. Ellis (formerly Senorita Anita Diaz) beat Miss McElveen (Britain) 6-0, 6-0.

Miss Kay Stammers (Britain) beat Miss Middleton (Britain) 6-0, 6-2.

Miss Hammerly (Britain) beat Miss Pittman (Britain) 6-2, 6-0.

Mrs. Nedra (U.S.A.) beat Miss Conipelco (Italy) 6-0, 6-2.

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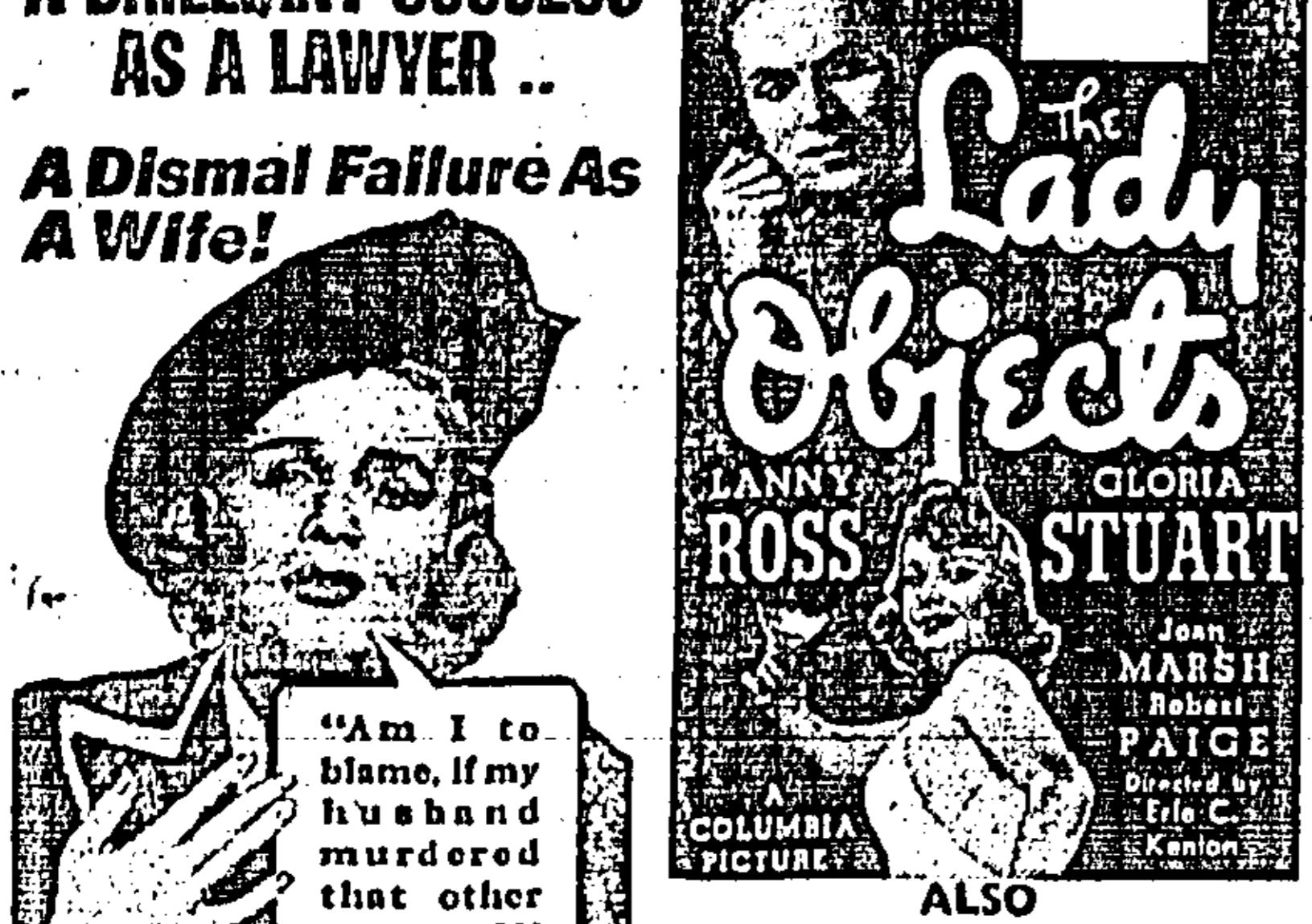
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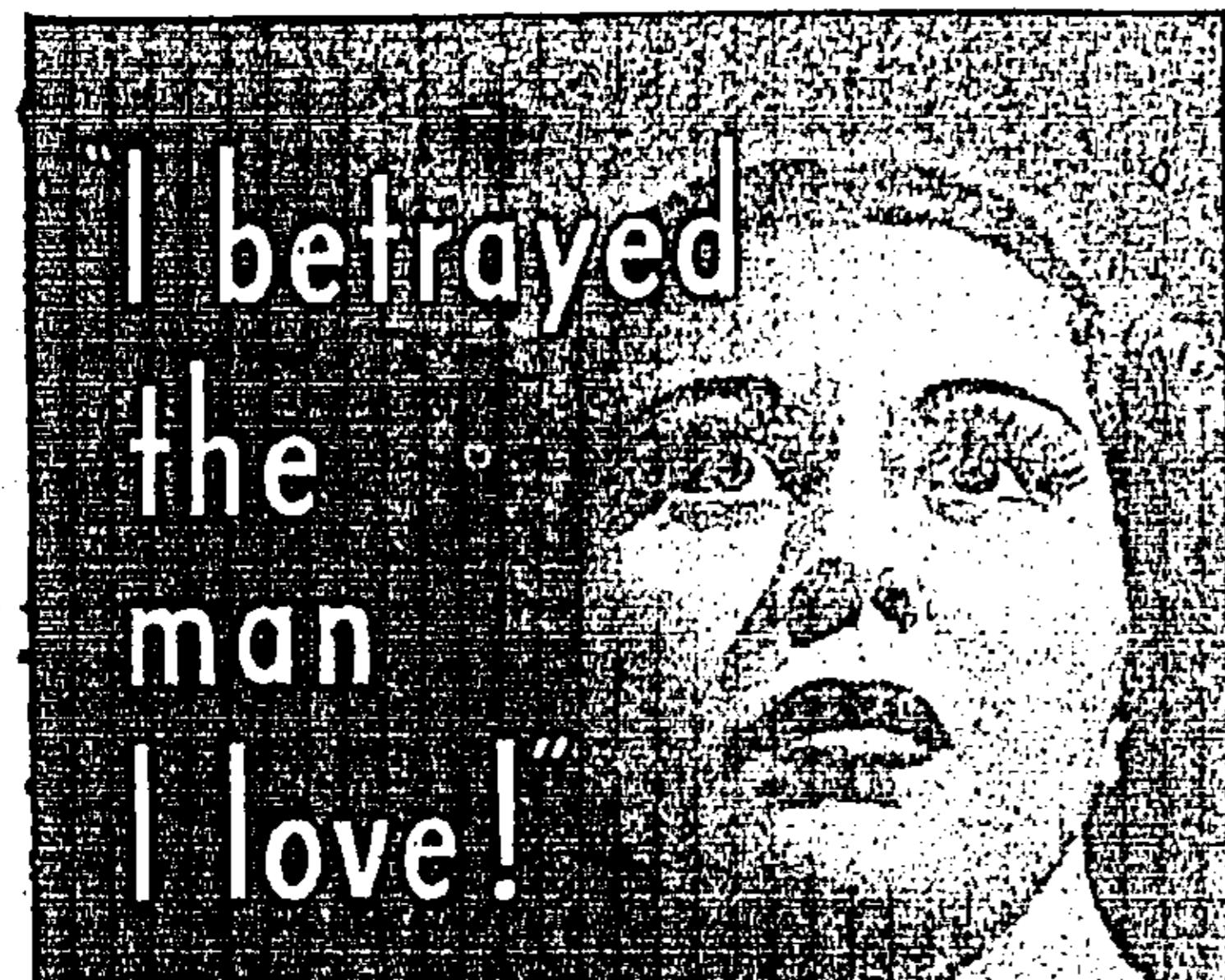
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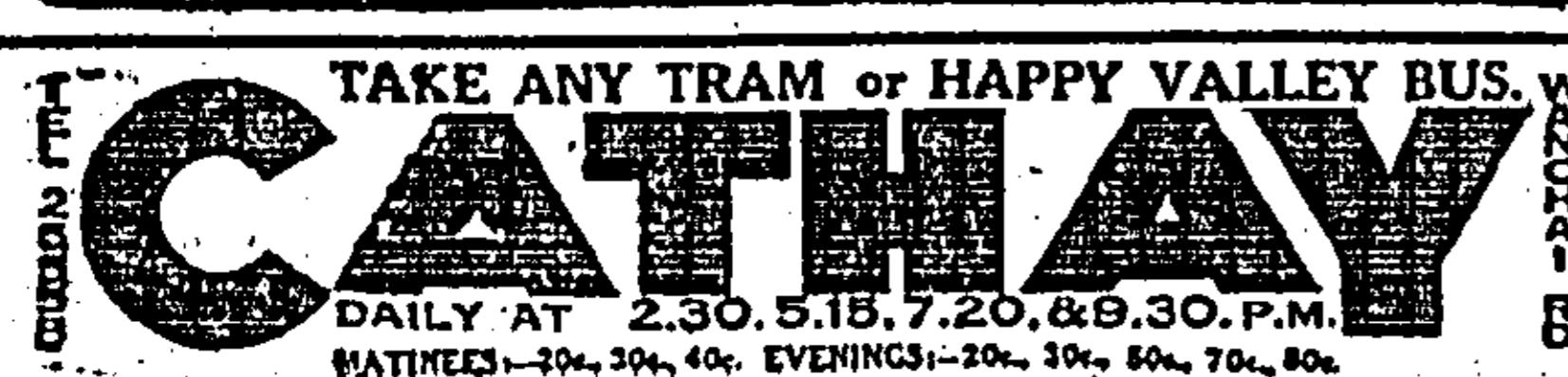
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THE Long Man of Wilmington, 240ft. giant outlined in stone on Windover Hill, Sussex, for damaging which five youths were fined at Hailsham recently, is the largest representation of the human figure in the world.

History records no single accepted account of the origin of the Long Man, but legends credit ancient artists with the work.

One legend suggests that the figure depicts Balder, the Saxon God of Peace, rising from Valhalla (Hades), and reasons that the two huge staves clutched in the giant's hands are posts by which the god hoisted himself from the depths.

A theory that the Long Man was the work of Saxons or Britons is supported by the discovery at the top of Windsor Hill of an ancient British or Saxon encampment.

BEOWULF?

In this respect, the Long Man is similar to the Giant of Cerne Abbas, Dorset, which is also cut below the remains of an early camp.

Another story says that the figure commemorates a visit to Wilmington by St. Peter.

Monks of the Wilmington Priory are also credited with the work, while another legend holds that the Long Man is Beowulf.

TO PAY THE DAMAGE

It has been suggested, too, that the Long Man was carved to serve as a calendar, the seasons being reckoned on the sun during the year touched certain parts of the figure.

It was stated in court that the youths took stones from the Long Man and threw them down the hill. They were fined 30s. each and it is understood that the money will go to Sussex Archaeological Society to repair the damage.

JAMAICA

INFORMATION OFFICE IN LONDON

KINGSTON.

The Legislative Council of Jamaica has approved a proposal to open a "Jamaica House" in London under the auspices of the West India Committee.

It would give advice about Jamaica trade and assist tourists. The service would cost about £2,000 a year.

NEW ZEALAND

BANK'S WARNING TO CUSTOMERS

AUCKLAND.

The New Zealand Trading Bank is advising customers that the issue of import licences does not mean that sterling funds will necessarily be granted since the Dominion export funds are practically exhausted.

Trading requirements are recurring to a small extent weekly, but are obviously insufficient to meet calls to June 30.

A trader given an import licence for goods to the value of £8,000 said that he did not know whether the Reserve Bank would grant him even a £2,000 permit.

SOUTH AFRICA

VISIT OF DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE

CAPE TOWN.

The Duke of Devonshire, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Dominions, arrived here recently with his wife. He is visiting South Africa as the guest of the Union.

He said that at the present time it seemed particularly important that members of governments in different parts of the British Commonwealth should lose no opportunity of gaining a first-hand impression of the outlook and problems in other parts of the Commonwealth.

For that reason he welcomed the prospect of receiving the friendly personal contacts which were established when Union ministers visited the United Kingdom for Imperial conferences and on other occasions.—Reuters.

INDIA

EXPEDITION TO JAVA

CALCUTTA.

A scientific expedition led by Dr. B. K. Chatterjee and Dr. A. K. Mitra is going to Java shortly to investigate the cultural and ethnic affinities between India and Java.

The expedition is being financed by the Ruler of Solo, Java, Pangaré Adipati Arlo Mangkoo Negoro VII.

Gracie Defies Her Doctors

GRACIE FIELDS defeated a plot to keep her in bed when she motored 120 miles recently to broadcast an appeal in the National programme on behalf of the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

Gracie is ill—badly run down after years of overwork. The family did not want her to broadcast. Nor did her doctors, including the King's Physician, Lord Dawson of Penn.

But Gracie agreed to enter a nursing home only on the strict understanding that she would be allowed out in time for the broadcast.

Meanwhile the plot was hatched. It was arranged, and officially announced that her brother, Tommy, would take her place. The BBC knew. The public knew. Tommy knew. Only Gracie, resting in bed, did not know.

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MILITARY OFFICER'S EVIDENCE

Tells Of Contracts In Fraud Case

Evidence of the system of tendering for motor vehicles in vogue in the Military Department was given by Col. P. H. Henderson, Commandant of the Royal Army Service Corps, at yesterday's hearing, before Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Magistracy, of two charges of obtaining money by false pretences against Edward Davies Sykes.

Sykes is alleged to have obtained \$1,250 on March 7 and \$1,000 on March 14 from Messrs. W. A. H. Duff and J. A. Duff, of Reliance Motors, Ltd., Hongkong, by falsely pretending that a tender made by Reliance Motors had been accepted by the Military authorities.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton is for the prosecution and Mr. F. H. Loseby is representing Sykes.

In reply to Mr. Marton, Mr. W. A. H. Duff, who continued his evidence yesterday, said he started criminal proceedings against Sykes because he thought Sykes might leave the Colony. He had Sykes detained while civil proceedings were taken.

Mr. Marton: You thought you might be had?

Mr. Loseby objected to the question. Mr. Marton: I think it was perfectly clear that is what the witness meant. (To witness) Tell us what you thought about it?—I thought I had been swindled.

Colonel's Evidence

Col. H. P. Henderson identified a number of documents, mostly letters from Reliance Motors.

Mr. Marton: Have you received any other documents from Reliance Motors, Ltd.?—No.

How many contracts are there in operation at the present time with the Military?—One for lorries and three for cars. The lorry contract is for twelve months from February 1.

Between February 1 and the end of May, this year, did the Military want any other contracts besides those already mentioned?—Not to my knowledge.

If any other contract had been given would they have come to your knowledge?—Yes.

Col. Henderson said his object in sending one of the letters produced in court to Reliance Motors was to enable Reliance Motors to register themselves with the Military. After a reply had been received, certain inquiries would be made and if those inquiries were satisfactory then Reliance Motors would have been registered with them. Those inquiries would take up to a month.

Mr. Marton: Would it be possible for any firm to be awarded a contract before they were registered?—No.

Was any contract awarded to Reliance Motors between February 1 and May 31?—No.

Shown another document witness said he had never seen it before. It did not resemble any document issued by him. Documents despatched from his office would normally be sent by post. At any rate, a tender would be sent by post. It would be addressed, normally in writing, to the firm tendering.

An acceptance of tender form was next produced. These forms, said witness, were sent to the firms who would then tear off the bottom half and send it in to the Military.

Did Not Know Sykes

Col. Henderson said he had never known or met Sykes before.

Mr. Loseby: Would you in the ordinary course discuss military contracts with a commission agent?

I do not know. It depends.

Will you agree with me that it is impossible?—I do not know.

People who tender know that first of all it is necessary for them to get into your tender list?—I do not know whether they realise that.

Miss E. G. A. Donald said she was private secretary to Messrs. W. A. H. and J. A. Duff. She remembered meeting Sykes about February 27 when Sykes went into the office accompanied by Mr. Johnson. Her desk was in the same room, and she could hear what was being said in the office that day. She heard Sykes tell the Duff brothers about a special military hire contract, which he was in a position to obtain for them.

One point she remembered during the discussion was that Sykes insisted on the negotiations being left to him entirely. The Duff brothers eventually agreed to this. She saw Sykes on March 2 when he went into the office, and dictated a letter to her from a small memorandum. After the letter had been checked by Mr. W. A. H. Duff, it was signed, and given to Sykes to take away.

Sykes appeared again in the afternoon and appeared to be in a cheerful mood, saying the contract was as good as theirs. He appeared again early in the morning on March 6, and said he had seen the signed contract. He was also in a rash mood, and promised her a bottle of champagne, which she was still waiting for.

Hearing was adjourned until July 7, at 2.30 p.m.

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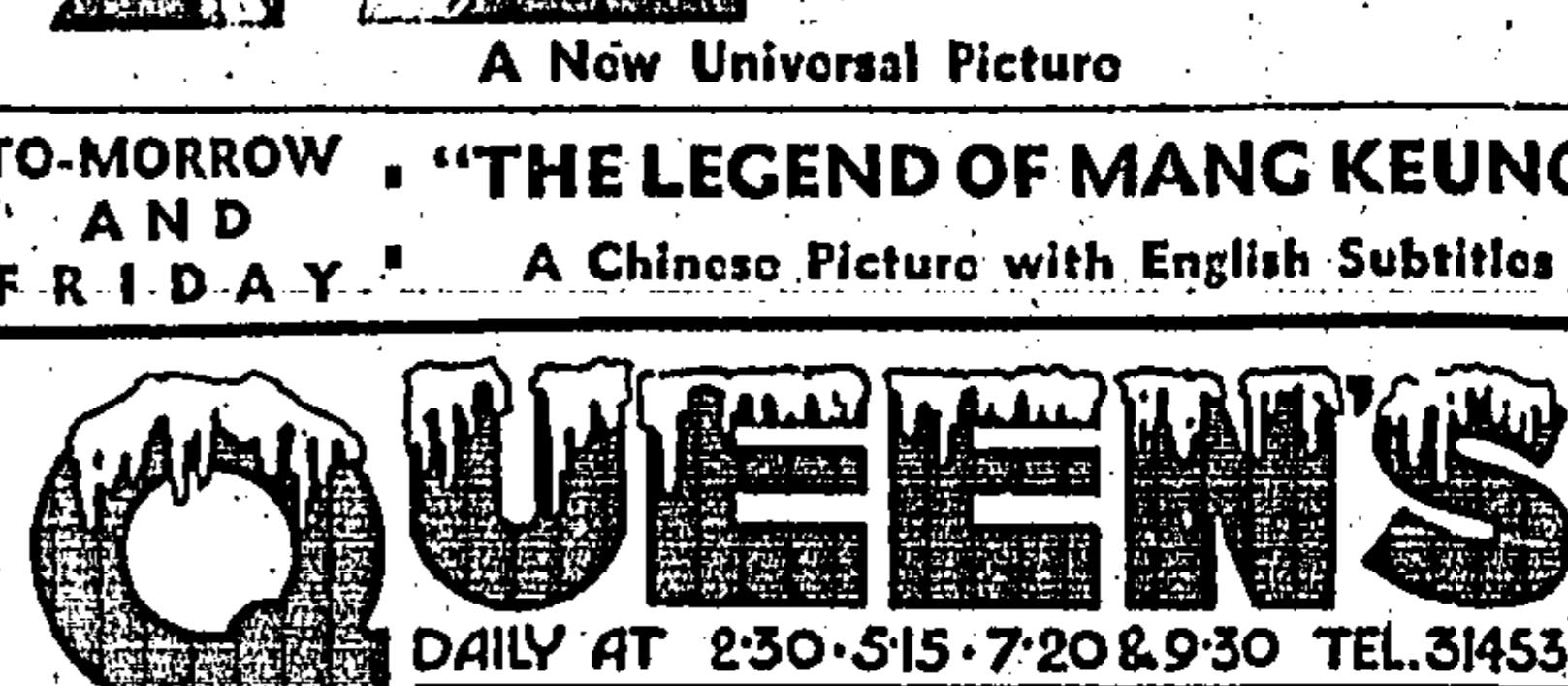
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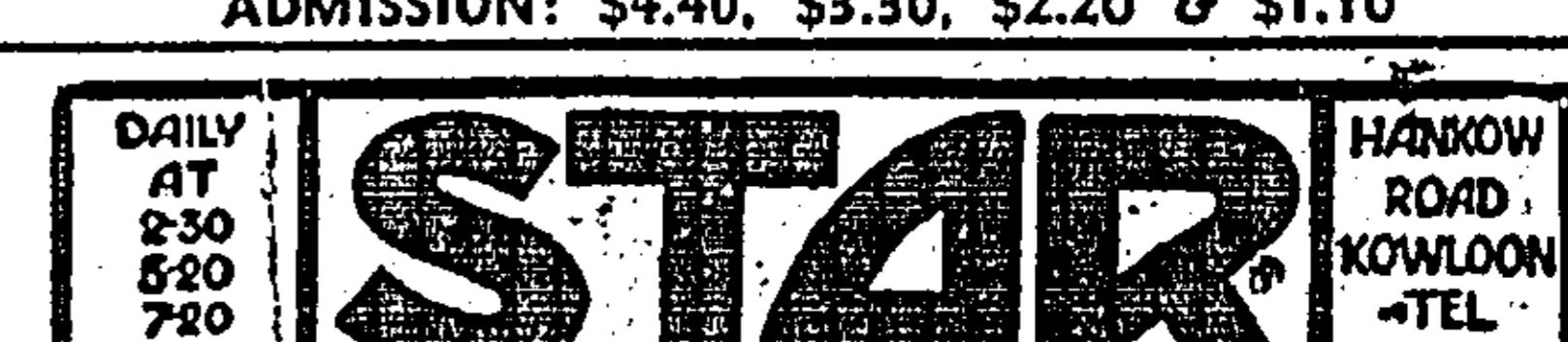
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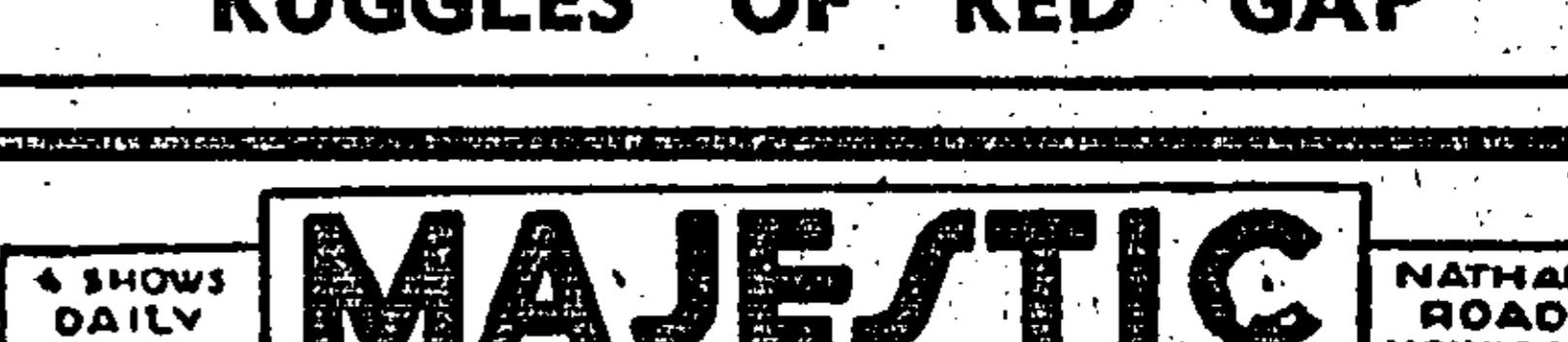


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Tokyo Sees Hitch In Tientsin Parleys Before They Commence

TOKYO, June 28.

THAT TOKYO will insist on a general regulation of the question of foreign concessions in China is maintained in political circles here.

In contradiction to the optimistic reports from British sources on the latest stage of the Anglo-Japanese discussions, opinion is expressed that Japan is willing to enter into negotiations on condition only that Britain is willing to take into consideration the "new situation in East Asia," and to co-operate with Japan in China on this basis.

In view of the London reports that the British Government is absolutely determined not to allow the more general questions to be dealt with in connection with the Tientsin dispute, it is believed in Tokyo that hopes placed on the outcome of the proposed negotiations are somewhat premature, to say the least.

The London "Daily Telegraph" reports that England is willing to enter into negotiations on the question of the extradition of the four Chinese suspects who sought refuge in British Concession in Tientsin.

Britain is also willing to co-operate with the Japanese in the suppression of Chinese terrorism, in the maintenance of law and order, and in the preservation of strict neutrality in the British Concessions in China.

Sir Robert Craigie is to emphasise that Britain is not willing to forego any rights and privileges conceded to her by China.

The "Daily Telegraph" adds that it was being observed in London with satisfaction that the Japanese Government was not willing apparently to run the risk of the present dispute developing into an armed conflict.

It was expected that the blockade at Tientsin would be less severe during the Tokyo negotiations—Trans-Ocean.

London Optimism

London, June 27.

An indication that some progress has been made in the conversations with Japan, Mr. Chamberlain to-day told questioners in the House of Commons that he hoped to make a further statement shortly regarding Tientsin.

The Premier declined to discuss current developments.

An official spokesman declared that, regardless of the blockade of Foochow and Wenchow, British vessels do not

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Eye-Witness Tells Of Tientsin Strip Tease

TIENTSIN, June 27.

MR. JOHN R. MORRIS, Far Eastern Manager of "United Press," to-day accompanied Mr. Ivor House, the Briton who has been stripped for searching on two previous occasions by Japanese sentries, from his office in the British Concession to his home near the Country Club.

GERMAN BEATEN UP

Two Women Escape Stripping Order

TIENTSIN, June 28.

Herr Ludwig Fischir, the Manager of the Deutsch Asiatische Bank revealed to-day that his wife was one of two women who escaped being searched at the Woodrow Wilson Street barrier yesterday afternoon only by returning to the British Concession.

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They passed the barrier at Woodrow Wilson Street, where the Japanese sentry in charge ordered a Chinese policeman to partially disrobe Mr. House.

Mr. House was compelled to open his trousers and let them fall, while the Chinese policeman ran his hands over his entire body.

While coolies were being similarly examined in the same public room (which is really part of the only corridor through the scorching shack) and while coolies stared from only a few feet away, Mr. House complied with an order to remove his shoes and socks as well as his coat, throw the contents of his pockets on the floor, and raise his arms and his legs from the knee.

The policeman then pulled out Mr.

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portation to negotiate a settlement of the Tientsin problem.

The British military authorities will not be represented at the conversations.—United Press.

Germans Indignant

TIENTSIN, June 27.

The German community here is very indignant because two German women only escaped from being searched at Woodrow Wilson Road barrier this afternoon by returning to the British concession.—United Press.

JAPANESE NAVAL AIRCRAFT yesterday roared and power-dived over British and other foreign steamers in Wenchow, causing considerable excitement amongst the Chinese passengers and crew aboard.

In the course of the display, signal tubes were dropped on the foreign vessels, warning them to withdraw from the harbour before noon to-day.

It is understood that three British, one Norwegian and one Italian merchant-ships were in harbour.

FOOCHOW "ULTIMATUM"

Simultaneously, an officer of the Japanese navy handed a communication to the commander of H.M.S. Dainty, requesting British warships and merchant ships to leave the harbour. It is understood that the communication has been ignored by H.M.S. Dainty, which was shortly afterwards joined by H.M.S. Duchess.

In addition to the two British destroyers, two British steamers and several other foreign vessels were at the Pagoda Anchorage at Foochow yesterday.

KEY POINTS OCCUPIED

A Japanese naval communiqué issued at noon to-day claims that all key points off the coast at Foochow were occupied by Japanese forces at 10 o'clock this morning.

Hutow Island, Yuhwan Island and Kanmen Harbour off Wenchow have also been occupied, Japanese reports claim.

The "Telegraph" Correspondent in Canton reports that school-children are being evacuated from all points likely to be affected by Japanese invasion plans.

The children are being taken in military trucks to Kiangsi Province and the north river districts of Kwangtung.

U.S. Rejection

SHANGHAI, June 28.—The United States Consul General here has rejected the Japanese note with regard to Wenchow and Foochow. His note emphasised the treaty rights of Americans to reside in and to enter and leave the treaty ports. He reiterated that Japan would be responsible for the safety of Americans and American property.

It is understood that Admiral Yarnell is making a similar reply covering the rights of American warships to sail anywhere in Chinese waters for the purpose of protecting American lives and property.—United Press.

Yarnell Leaves For Chofoo

CHUNGKING, June 27.—Admiral Harry Yarnell, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Asiatic Fleet, left Chinawangko for Chofoo aboard his flagship Augusta on Monday, according to a Tientsin report.—Central News.

Warships Massing

Large armadas of Japanese warships and transports are reported to have concentrated off the entrances to the Min and Ou Rivers, preparing, it is believed, to major landings to-morrow.

Foochow, capital of Fukien Province, is thirty miles from the mouth of the Min River.

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80 Planes In Mongol Raid

MOSCOW, June 27.—The Soviet Radio reports an attack by eighty Japanese fighting planes and thirty bombers on Tantsar Bulak, 72 miles within the Outer Mongolian border.

The report said seven Japanese planes were shot down, while the Soviet Mongolians lost six. Two houses were destroyed and five civilians were wounded.—United Press.

The ordinance will be introduced as a Government measure.

HONGKONG BANKNOTES

Govt. May Revise Present System

THE LEGAL powers of the banks in Hongkong to issue bank-notes, which expire on July 12, are to receive only temporary extension, pending a revision of the conditions on which notes are issued.

An Ordinance will be introduced into Legislative Council to-morrow, extending the note-issuing powers of the Chartered Bank, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd. for another twelve months.

These three banks are the only note-issuing banks in the Colony.

The note-issuing powers of the Chartered Bank are contained in its Charters as modified by the Currency Ordinance of 1935, whilst the powers of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are contained in its special Ordinance. Those of the Mercantile Bank are contained in its special Ordinance.

The Ordinance which will be introduced to-morrow extends the period during which the issuance of notes is permitted to July 12, 1940, subject to a proviso enabling the Legislative Council to further extend the period by resolution, in the case of any or all of the three banks, for any period or periods not exceeding twelve months at any one time.

It will be necessary at a future date to revise the conditions on which notes are issued, but meanwhile it is desired to enable the banks concerned to carry on as at present, and the proposed ordinance accordingly provides for the extension from time to time to the banks' powers of issue.

The proposed new Ordinance is concerned only with the machinery for the issue of notes and will in no way affect the present arrangements for maintaining the exchange value of the Hongkong dollar by means of the operations of the Exchange Fund.

As recently stated, the Hongkong Government has no intention of making any change in present policy in that matter or of permitting any variation of the present level of exchange beyond ordinary commercial fluctuations.

The ordinance will be introduced as a Government measure.

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Naval Escort For H.K. Ship At Swatow

AS A RESULT of the Japanese rejection of British requests for free entry of British merchant-men into Swatow Harbour, naval escorts may be provided this afternoon for two steamers which have been held up off the entrance to the harbour since this morning.

The steamers are the 2,455-ton Douglas liner Seistan (Capt. R. C. Creer), which left Hongkong yesterday, and the 2,626-ton B. & S. liner Kwangtung (Capt. S. M. Barling).

ENTRY REFUSED

The Japanese authorities have refused to permit either vessel to enter the harbour.

The "Telegraph" understands that Norwegian and other foreign shipping companies have decided, in view of the Japanese "ultimatum," to cancel all sailings for Swatow for the time being.

REQUEST REJECTED

The Japanese authorities in Swatow have rejected a British request for a modification of the previous Japanese notification that shipping would not be permitted to enter Swatow Harbour.

The Japanese decision was made known in Swatow yesterday afternoon by Mr. T. Matsudaira, the Japanese Consul, during an interview with Mr. C. Ikeno Lee, the British Consul, and the Commander of H.M.S. Thanet.

The conversations, according to a "Domei" message, lasted for an hour.

Mr. Lee pointed out that neither Japan nor China had declared war during the course of the present hostilities, and third Powers were therefore under no obligation, in International Law, to recognise a blockade. The British Consul reiterated the British request for the free entry of shipping into Swatow harbour.

UNDECLARED WAR

Admitting that actual war at the present time often takes the form of an undeclared war, the Japanese Consul General rejected the British representations, and said that the Japanese could not accept the claim that the blockade of Swatow was illegal.

"The entry of foreign shipping will not be permitted for the time being, in view of the necessity of maintaining peace and order," the Japanese consul declared.

BLAMES BRITAIN

"The steps taken by the Japanese authorities in Swatow are as a result of the unfriendly attitude adopted by the British interest which sent merchant vessels into the harbour, contrary to our requests, while hostilities were in progress.

"The Japanese authorities, however, are prepared to concede each week one foreign vessel each week.

"This vessel will be permitted to unload only mail and provisions for the foreign community in Swatow."

Islands Seized

SHANGHAI, June 28.—Japanese landing parties occupied Chuanshao Island, commanding the northern channel of the Min River off Foochow, and also Hutow Island (Tiger Head), at the mouth of the Ouklong River off Wenchow yesterday.

Landings were effected in Yuhwan and Kanmen harbours on Tsin Island, about 30 miles north-east of Wenchow, by Japanese naval forces who secured the nearby areas, a Japanese naval communiqué announced at 11.00 o'clock this morning.

The Japanese naval operations near Wenchow and Foochow were started at 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning, after a warning to that effect was issued to third Powers. It was revealed Domel.

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LATEST

THANET BREAKS BLOCKADE

H.M.S. THANET broke the Japanese blockade of Swatow this afternoon by landing a passenger and mail from the Douglas steamer Selstan.

It is officially confirmed that Japanese aeroplanes flew over British ships in Wenchow and Foochow harbours, dropping missiles which contained warnings that they should immediately evacuate.

In the case of British warships and steamers, these instructions have been ignored. H.M.S. Darling and H.M.S. Duchess are in harbour, whilst the Douglas steamer Huching and B. & S. steamer Shinkang are at Pagoda Anchorage.

A "Reuters" message from Swatow states that the Japanese have occupied the B. & S. property there. The Union Jack has been lowered and replaced by a Japanese flag.

The British property is now being used by the Japanese as a landing place for stores, with Japanese transports alongside.

Foreigners are experiencing difficulties in landing in Swatow from Kachiklo.

Congress Bitter Over Neutrality

WASHINGTON, June 27. THE Administration leaders in the House of Representatives to-day supported the adoption of the revised Neutrality Act in order to discourage German, Italian and Japanese aggression, while the isolationist bloc attacked the Bill alleging it conveys "war-making powers on the President."

One small persistent bloc headed by the Republican Representatives Charles Eaton of New Jersey and George Dondero of Michigan urged for the abandonment of all neutrality legislation as an anti-war species.

They suggested that the United States policy in future should be based on international law.

Representative Eaton was vigorously applauded when he attacked Britain's failure to act at Tientsin.

Representative Hamilton Fish said the Bloom Neutrality Bill would definitely align the United States with Britain and France.

Representative Robert Allen said the repeal of the arms embargo would afford to victims of aggression with the opportunity to buy arms and munitions in the United States.

"Germany and Italy have repeatedly used force as an instrument of their national policy," he said. "No question of the current law commits the United States foreign policies into the hands of other nations on account of the laws rigid provisions."—United Press.

Would Aid Britain

WASHINGTON, June 27. THE GOVERNMENT to-day introduced its Neutrality amendment bill to the House of Representatives, which faced the prospect of an all-night sitting to discuss the bill.

Introducing the measure, Representative Sol. Bloom, acting chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said the Administration did not intend to enforce any cast-iron principles. The bill was open to any reasonable amendments, and those who felt it fell short of the ideal, were invited to suggest improvements.

Representative Hamilton Fish declared that the bill was a war-like measure which, in effect, allied the United States with Britain in a critical period.

Washington Quoted *

"You cannot sell arms and ammunition to nations without ultimately getting into a war," declared Mr. Hamilton Fish.

Representative Bloom retorted by reading Washington's neutrality proclamation of 1793, adding that the present bill was founded on Washington's principles, and the Administration shared Washington's anxiety to keep out of war.—Reuter.

Republican Support

Washington, June 27. Representative Sol. Bloom, Acting Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, to-day predicted that 50 Re-

publican members of the House of Representatives will join the Democratic majority in passing the controversial Neutrality Bill.

As the House considered the measure to-day, the legislative leaders discussed plans to hold a night session in an effort to clear up important measures.

Representative Bankhead said there have been some last minute changes in the Bill "because of the opinion they would strengthen the Bill and at the same time achieve its major objectives."—United Press.

"Cowardice, Cupidity, And Stupidity"

Washington, June 27. Great applause greeted the attack on the neutrality legislation by Senator Eaton, who declared that all such legislation was useless, and the United States should return to the sound principles of international law.

He said the neutrality laws were a mixture of cowardice, cupidity and stupidity, fraught with danger to the country.

"I suffer acutely when I hear that the great British Empire has been brought to a point where it permits a Japanese soldier to strip an Englishwoman," declared Senator Eaton, and added that neutrality was like running into a shelter which is too clumsy during a storm.

He urged that the United States would take a stand for order and peace.—Reuter.

More "Dignity" For British Goods

LONDON, June 27. A National Council for British Commercial Propaganda Overseas was formed, with an executive including representative leaders of industry and commerce, when an inaugural luncheon was held in London to-day.

Lord Sempill, the President, in describing the objects, said that British industry lacked systematic representation abroad in the form of propaganda or publicity.

Their efforts would be devoted to presenting the case of British goods to other nations in a dignified way. The Council would publish special journals and press matter of the countries covered.

Mrs. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, was present at the luncheon, and expressed sympathy with the objects.—Reuter.

Poles Shoot Down German Plane Says Report

WARSAW, June 27. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS received here state that Polish coastal anti-aircraft guns to-day shot down a German military plane near Hel Peninsula 30 miles from Danzig because it flew over a fortified area and would not depart after a warning siren had been fired.

The plane plunged into the sea and the crew are believed to have been saved by a German merchant ship.

GERMAN DENIAL

Berlin, June 28.

Officials here have denied the Warsaw report.

"It is an absolute invention," they declared.

German officials at Warsaw have refused to confirm or deny the report.—United Press.

U.S. Legislation Causes Record Silver Slump

WASHINGTON, June 27.

THE UNITED STATES Treasury to-day set the price for foreign silver at 40 cents per ounce, as compared with the previous price of 43 cents per ounce.

Treasury officials were shocked at the Senate vote, which repeals the silver purchase programme.

They explain that this removes a club which was useful in United States international dealings.

They insist that they never intended to use dollar devaluation in an effort to manipulate domestic economy but merely to protect the United States against the possible cheapening of foreign currencies.

They added that China has not much more silver stocks to sell.—United Press.

Lowest In Two Years

MONTREAL, June 27. Reacting to the Senate's vote to discontinue the purchase of foreign silver, spot silver bid prices were the lowest here to-day since December, 1937.

London Nose-Dive

LONDON, June 27. The Senate's foreign silver vote produced the biggest nose-dive in London silver prices since March, 1938.

The slump is attributed to complete lack of support and not through heavy sales.—United Press.

Roosevelt's Opinion

HYDE PARK, June 27. President Roosevelt to-day said if Congress strips him of his power to devalue the dollar it will return the control of money to Wall Street and international speculators.

Likewise, he said, it would deal a blow to national defence and would, in effect, be an open invitation to speculators to manipulate the dollar with resultant injury to the United

No Explanation

New York, June 27. While there is no official explanation of the Treasury's reduction in the foreign silver price, it is suggested that it is motivated by a widening spread between London and New York which might have resulted in unusually heavy tenders to the Treasury, should the price have remained unchanged.—Reuter.

Effect On Markets

New York, June 27. The United States silver legislation brought sharp declines on foreign silver markets and higher prices for some mining issues on the Stock Exchange.

Wall Street to-day classified the silver vote in the Senate as a political bargain. Opinion is held that the effects will be light here, but dif-

AXIS' AIR FORCE HARMONY Co-operation To Be Intensified

BERLIN, June 27. FURTHER intensification in co-operation of the German and Italian air forces was announced by General Valle, the Italian State Secretary for Aviation, who is at present in Berlin as the guest of Field-Marshal Hermann Goering.

General Milch declared to-day that that only four weeks had passed since the far-reaching programme for co-operation had been agreed upon, and in spite of this, it had already been realised. The conference which he had had with General Valle on the problems of the future had proved a complete harmony of views as to organisation and the tasks of the two air forces.

With regard to common aims, the visit of General Valle had been of greatest importance.

Close co-operation would never be discontinued, but on the contrary would be intensified.—Trans-Ocean.

Tientsin To Have New Wharves

TIENTSIN, June 28. While emergency harbour facilities are provided in the First and Third Special Administrative Districts, following isolation of the British and French Concessions, construction of new wharves on the Tientsin waterfront outside the Concessions will be started immediately.

The wharves in the Third Special Administrative District was opened on Monday by the North China Transport Company.

Apart from the harbour construction plans of the Provisional Government in Tangku and Tientsin, the North China Transport Company is constructing a new wharf, 650 metres long, in the Russian Park in the Third Special Administrative District at a cost of Yen 15,000,000.

Three 220-metre wharves will be constructed at Tangku at a cost of Yen 2,000,000. The new establishments will be completed in three to four months.

With the completion of the new wharves, Tangku alone will be able to clear 500,000 tons of goods a year. It is pointed out that the wharves in the British and French Concessions cleared in the past about 50,000 tons of goods a month.—Domel.

Bank Of England Omnipotent

LONDON, June 27. By 100 votes to 125, Mr. G. R. Strauss (Labour) was refused permission to introduce a Bill into the House of Commons called the Bank of England Compulsory Consultation Bill, the purpose of which is to make it compulsory for the Governor and Directors of the Bank of England to consult with the Government on financial matters affecting national interests.

Mr. Strauss explained that his action in presenting the bill arose from the "deplorable affair of Czech gold transfer to Germany."—Reuter.

Facilities are anticipated for foreign countries which will lose their best customer if the vote becomes law.—United Press.

Foreign Exchange Suspended

Mexico City, June 27. The Bank of Mexico and other banks here to-day announced they have temporarily suspended foreign exchange transactions.

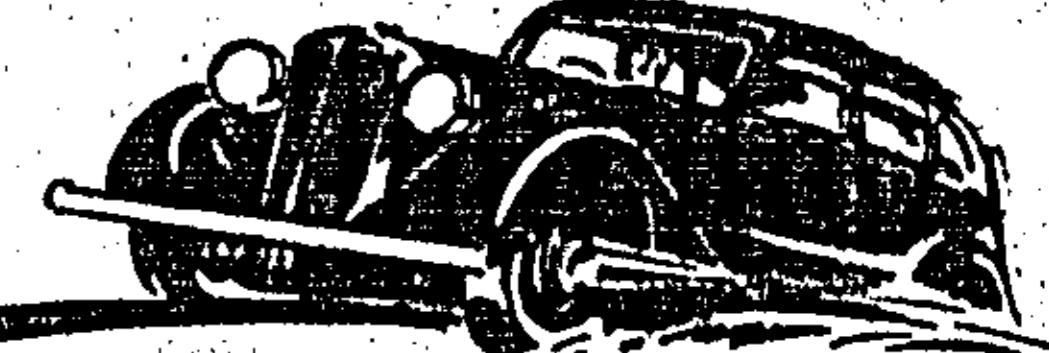
Private trading in the peso was done at 5.25 against the U.S. dollar as compared with the recent rate of 4.50.

The Bank of Mexico's statement said foreign exchange transactions are being suspended temporarily until they can decide whether the United States will continue buying foreign silver.—United Press.

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TEN nations met at a conference at Broadcasting House recently to try to end this strange state of affairs. At the invitation of the British Standards Institution they discussed an international agreement on concert pitch.

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At present the standard A of different countries varies from 435 to 442 cycles per second.

An official of the British Standards Institution said: "The varying degrees of concert pitch have caused chaos in the musical world for years."

"British interests are agreed to a standard of 440 cycles, but we want to make it an international standard."

Japanese Occupation Of Hainan

London. A further question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the Japanese occupation of Hainan.—

Mr. W. Roberts asked the Prime Minister whether he can make a statement with regard to the extent of the occupation by the Japanese of Hainan Island and the Spratly Islands and whether any joint discussions with the French authorities have taken place with regard to it; and, if not, whether such discussions will be considered in view of the threat to the interests of these two countries in the Far East?

Mr. Butler: According to my noble friend's information the Island of Hainan has been only partially occupied, while it appears that there has been no actual military occupation by the Spratly group by the Japanese. His Majesty's Government are keeping in close and constant touch with the French Government in this matter.

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WORLD'S ART DICTATOR DEAD



Two Carpet Bags Laid Family Fortune

ASTRONOMY may be said to have linked two famous Britons who died recently—Lord Duveen and Sir Frank Dyson.

Sir Frank Dyson was the mathematician who, as he once said, "drifted into astronomy" and became Astronomer Royal in charge of Greenwich Observatory. Lord Duveen was the man who turned art into big business with "astronomical" prices for world-famous pictures.

Lord Duveen died at a London hotel at the age of 69. Sir Frank, who was 71, died while on a voyage from Australia to South Africa.

The fortunes of the Duveen family were laid by one Henry Duveen, who at the age of 12 was sent by his father from their humble home in Holland with two large carpet bags filled with Delft blue china.

Places which had cost 5s. in Holland fetched £5 at Boston.

Joseph, the eldest of 14, was born at Hull and joined the firm at 17. He was later to become the first Baron Duveen of Millbank (where the Tate Gallery stands) because of his magnificent gifts to British museums and galleries.

Standing apart from all auction-room enterprizes and establishing his own "tradition" Duveen became a force which upset all the reckonings of connoisseurs and dealers—a virtual "dictator" in the art world.

SPECTACULAR DEALS

He launched the art boom of 1921 when he bought "Mrs. Siddons as the Tragedy Muse" by Reynolds for £40,000 and paid £170,000 for Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" for America.

Other spectacular deals were: £1,000,000 for the Gustave Dreyfus collection (Italian Renaissance).

£500,000 for the Benson collection (Botticelli, Titian, Andrea del Sarto and Luini).

£250,000 for the Fragonard Panels.

£175,000 for the Raphael Madonnas.

Besides presenting pictures to the Tate and National Galleries, Lord Duveen added a new wing to the National Portrait Gallery, provided an extension for modern foreign art at the Tate, a gallery for the Elgin Marbles at the British Museum and an early Venetian gallery at the National Gallery.

THE CORPAL DEMANDED TEA

"The corporal demanded tea, and I referred him to the master cook. I said it was no use arguing with me. 500 eggs had to be fried."

"He started digging in in the tummy with his finger to emphasize his words, and said he wanted tea."

"I said: 'Who are you to tell me to make tea?' He then struck me in the face."

The master cook said early tea was on the bill of fare, and it was the cook's duty to prepare whatever was on it.

The cook found Lance-Corporal Minear not guilty.

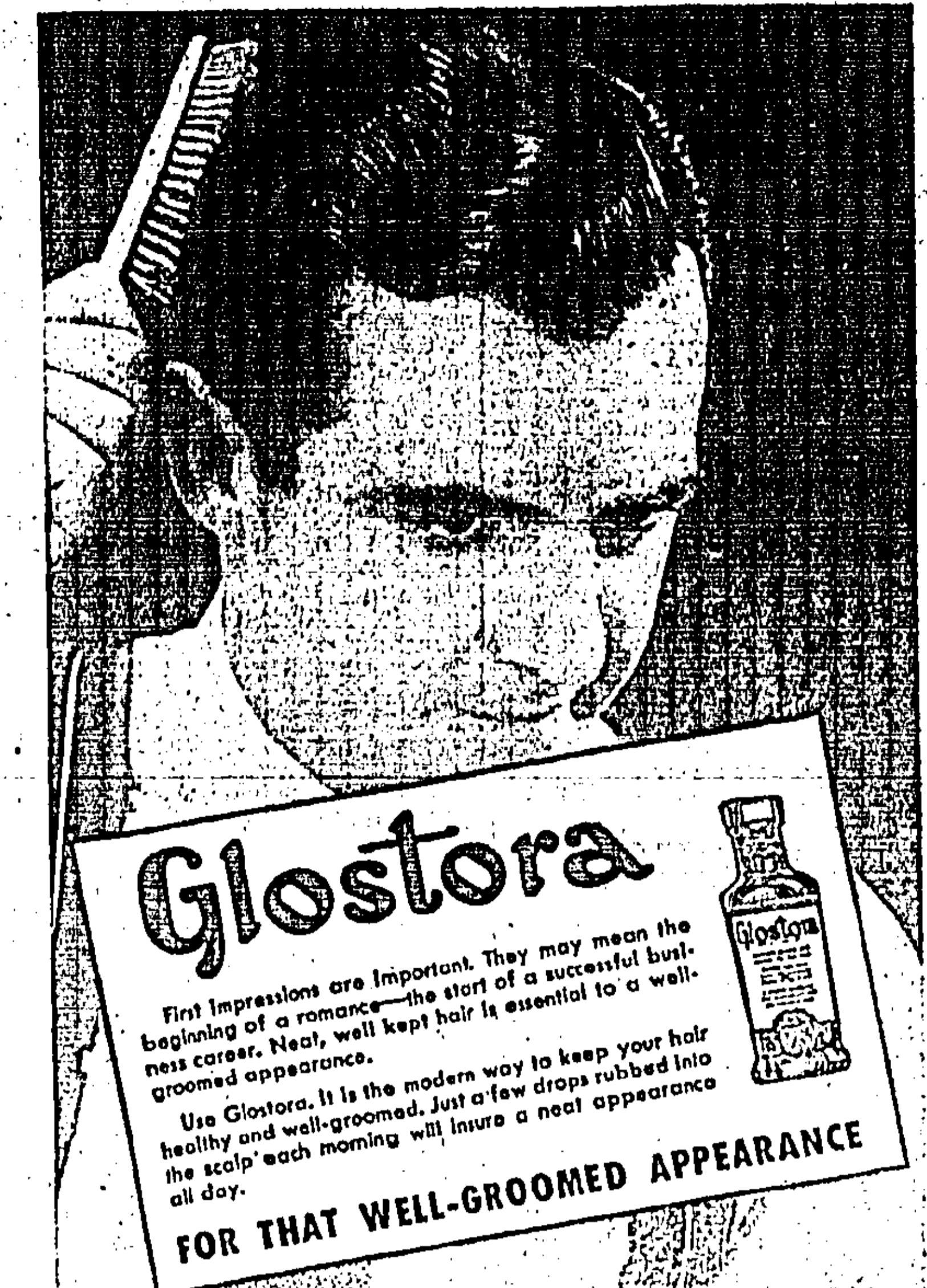
Morning Tea On Army Bill Of Fare

WHEN Lance-Corporal Roy Sidney Minear, 2nd Batt. Grenadier Guards, was brought up at a court-martial at Pirbright, Surrey, recently, charged with striking Guardsman Horace Patrick Chandler, the following story was told by Chandler.

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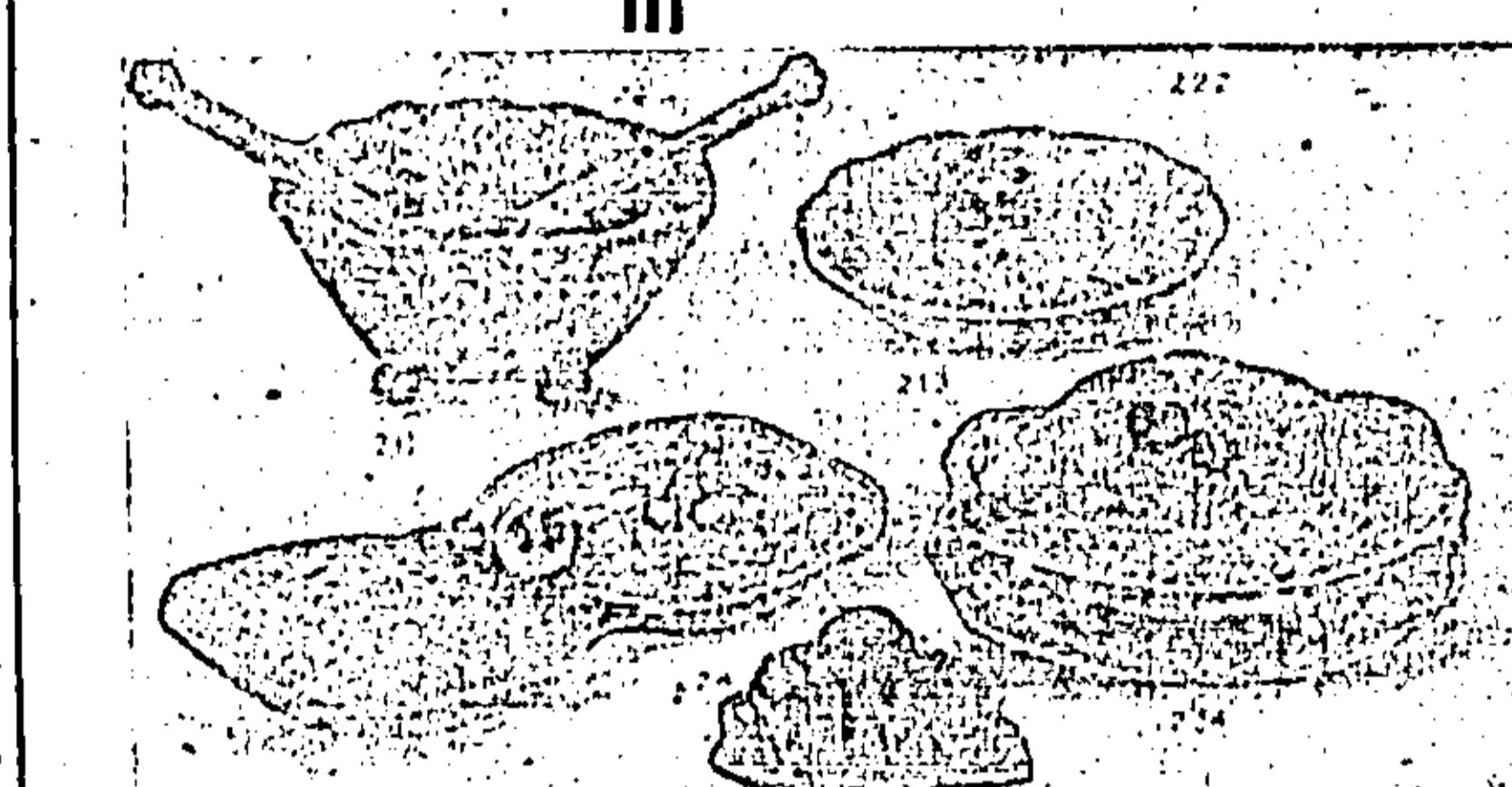
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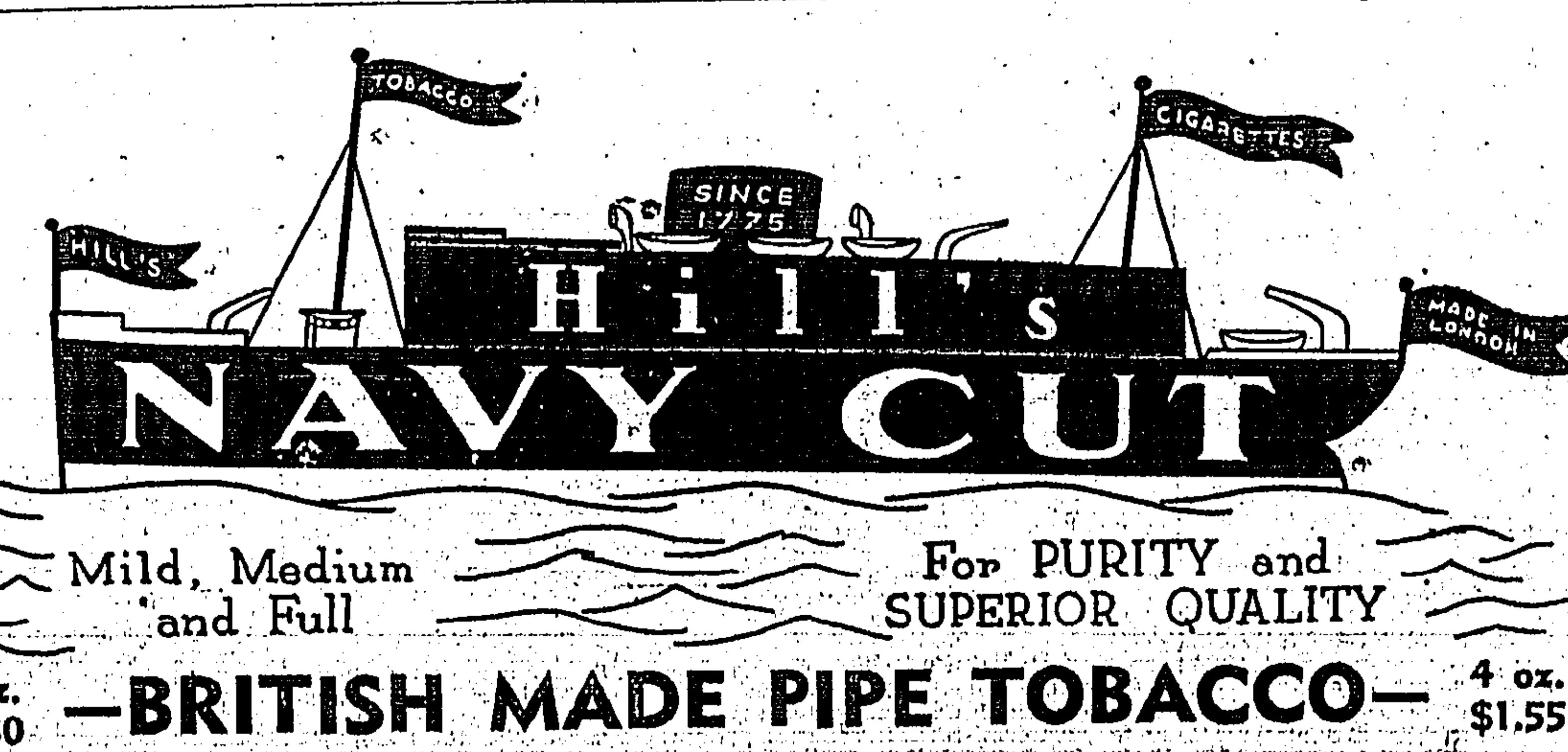
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WARSAW, June 27.—Subscriptions to the national defence loan issued on March 29 now amount to 404,000,000 zlotys.—Reuter.

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The public are reminded that an inoculation certificate is valid, if it is not less than six days, and not more than six months old.

80,000 Pensioners Sign Petition

LONDON, June 27.—A petition signed by 80,000 men and women from all parts of England, pointing out the insufficiency of the old age pensions, was delivered to Mr. Chamberlain this afternoon.

A campaign for an increase on the old age pensions has been started by Liberal quarters.—Trans-Ocean.

H. K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks \$	1,325 b.
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Docks \$	10.20 n.
Providents \$	4.65 b.
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Sh. Docks, Sh.	108 n.

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Kullan \$/-	18/- n.
Raubs \$.80 b.
Venz. Gold \$	4 n.
Hongkong Mines etc.	4 n.

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Hotels \$	5.70 s.
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H.K. Realities \$	4.80 n.
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Trams \$	16.60 s.
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Star Ferries \$	60/2 s.
Y. Ferries \$	22/5 n.
China Lights (old) \$.84 n.
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H.K. Electric \$.55 b.
Mano Electric \$.19 n.
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Telephones (old) \$	23/4 n.
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Tractions \$/-	20/ n.
Tractions (Prof.) \$	22/6 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macq. (ord.) Sh.	14 n.
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Canton Iron \$	1 b.
Comments \$	14 n.
H.K. Repes \$	3.70 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old) \$	213 n.
Dairy Farms (new) \$	21 n.
Watsons \$	8.45 b.
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Sinceres \$	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	41 b.
Powell, Ltd. \$	1 n.

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Evo Sh. \$	18.60 n.
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Misc.	8/4 n.

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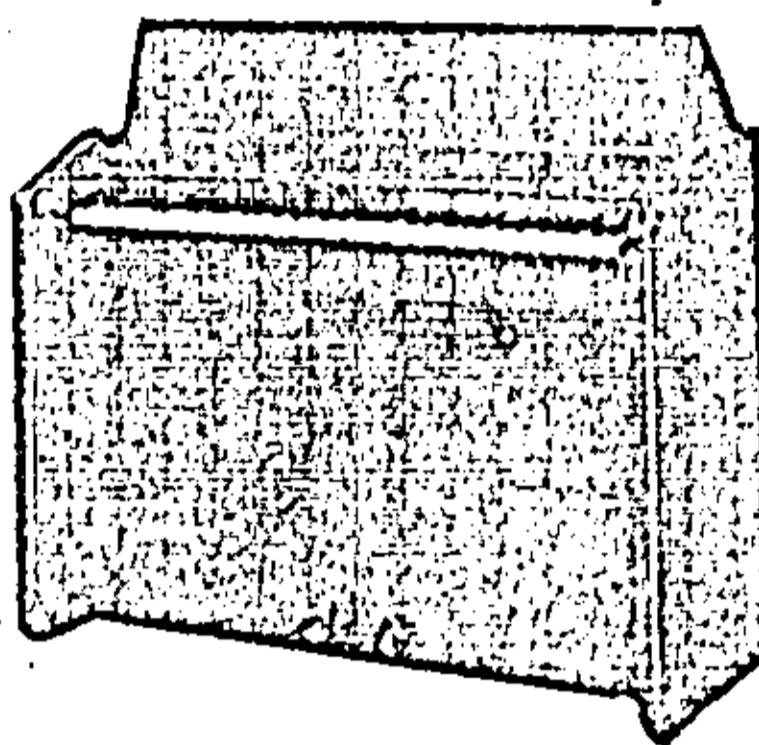
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Blockade Threat

THE REASON for Hongkong apprehension that Britain will not insist that the Japanese blockades of Canton, Kongmou, Kulangsu, Tientsin and the Yangtze River ports should not be extended to the treaty ports of Swatow, Foochow and Wenchow is evident when an examination of the trade figures for these three centres is made.

Any stoppage of shipping with any of these southern ports will have a serious effect on this Colony, not merely from the point of view of trade, but by virtue of the fact that we are now almost entirely relying on them as our sources of food supplies for the abnormal population we have to support.

Trade figures for the first six months of 1938 are not available. But an examination of the official figures for 1938 is illuminating. The total import and export trade of the three ports last year was £5,743,530, comprising £1,647,962 imports and £4,095,568 exports. Of the exports, Hongkong took over twenty-five per cent., this Colony's total being £1,717,932.

It is an interesting fact that, during 1938, Hongkong took 95 per cent. of the total exports of Foochow and Wenchow—foodstuffs valued at £514,348 out of a total of £520,825 from the former, and valued at £402,480, out of a total of £444,483 from the latter.

Any Japanese blockade of these ports means, therefore, that Hongkong has to turn elsewhere for its food supplies. And, with the Japanese not gradually drawing tighter along the China coast, there is nowhere else to turn.

The United States, Netherlands East Indies, United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, Germany and France are all interested in the import trade of the three treaty ports threatened by Japan. Last year the United Kingdom exported goods to the value of £308,900 to Swatow, £7,630 to Foochow and £34,108 to Wenchow. Her imports from the three ports amounted to £86,274.

Next to Hongkong, however, the principal country interested in the blockade is the United States, which from Swatow alone imported goods to the value of £1,132,057.

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But, to our astonishment, the proletariat are up and coming,

The 9.10 from Manchuli

ACCOUNT OF THE WORLD'S MOST EXCITING RAIL JOURNEY

by Lawrence Impéy

TWICE a week, at 9.10 of a morning, there pulls out from Manchuli, on the Manchukuo border, one of the world's most remarkable trains—the Trans-Siberian express.

I have just travelled home from Peiping to London by this exciting overland route, and my diary of the trip has some strange entries now I come to look back on it. Here's a sample:

We are a motley gathering as we leave Manchukuo. Mostly women, some with children, wives or daughters of men who are remaining in Dairen, Tientsin, Shanghai, or Hongkong, to watch their business interests at this critical time. One or two among us are business men dashing to London, Paris, or Berlin to inform our office headquarters of conditions in the Far East.

We have our baggage turned topsy-turvy by the Manchukuo Customs officials, and now submit to the same critical examination at the hands of the Soviet "comrades."

What they expect to find in it is hard to imagine, as the items which attract most attention are book of family snapshots and any form of personal letters, which they endeavour to read with the utmost interest.

Money, of course, is counted and recounted and entered on an official form signed by both parties. And then we change our sterling at the rate of 12 roubles to the £—1s. 8d. per rouble at frontier value.

One unfortunate woman has unguardedly allowed her porters to carry a box of chocolates, a tennis racket, a bag of oranges, plus her suit-cases, and protests bitterly at a bill of 12s. for portage.

We who are wiser festoon ourselves with packages. A police officer from Hongkong strides manfully along with a dozen bottles of beer in one hand and a supply of whisky and gin dangling from the other. He will have the laugh on us later, when we get to Soviet Russia, where beer costs 6s. 6d. a bottle and is unbelievably bad at that.

A Woman Alone

WE sort ourselves into our compartments, and fresh complications arise. A British woman is alone in a compartment, as also is a British man. Soviet authority swoops down on this waste of space and demands that they share a coupe.

The suggestion is bitterly opposed by the woman. The Soviet reply, "In that case we may have to put a Russian man in your coupe at some stage of the journey; you had better put up with your fellow-countryman."

To which the woman, confusing the issue, skilfully counters, "A Frenchman or a German or a Russian conceivably, but an Englishman never. It would get all round town, and my reputation would be ruined for ever."

This diplomatic evasion bewilders the Soviet, who retire to consider the matter, and finally compromise by producing a Russian woman with two children, all three to occupy the upper bunk.

The train departs well behind time, but nobody seems to care, and presently we go along to the dining-car. Here we produce food coupons bought outside Russia, which entitle us to a meal at reduced rates.

Caviare—with Luck

THERE are even two categories of tickets obtainable, the better grade entitling us to caviare with our meal, supposing there is any. To-day our luck is in, and the caviare is forthcoming, enabling us to look down our noses at the passengers whose tickets do not entitle them to it.

But, to our astonishment, the roads are being built, houses

If you wanted to travel from the Far East to London you could choose one of these three routes:

1—By TRAIN to Manchuli, there to join the Trans-Siberia Railway to the Polish frontier. Total time, Hongkong to London, 16 days. Fare £32 if bought in yen, or £55 if bought in sterling.

2—By SEA liner to England via Suez. Total time 5½ weeks. Fare £115.

3—By AIR Hongkong to Bangkok and flying boat to London. Time 7 days Hongkong to London. Fare £145.

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will see this

BALANCE of Naval POWER

By Lt.-Commander
HUGH LONGDEN, R.N., Retd.

THE United States is taking steps to become the Mistress of the Seas, and it is suggested that she is going to form an Atlantic Fleet—which might be an excellent thing for the peace of the world.

We must admit that she is Mistress of the Pacific, but Great Britain is still Mistress of the other Six Seas.

America has just announced officially that she has ordered three 35,000-ton battleships, and we can assume they will be ready in about three years. In addition to this I learn, though it has not yet been officially stated—that she is about to lay down two 45,000-ton battleships, and these will be the biggest in the world.



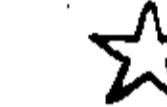
At present the United States Navy has 15 battleships in commission and two almost completed, the North Carolina and the Washington, which are similar in size and armament to the three that have just been ordered.

The United States Navy has no battle cruisers comparable with our own Renown.

Great Britain has 12 battleships and three battle cruisers in commission, five battleships building (due to be ready in 1940), and two more authorised and about to be laid down. Thus in two years' time we will clearly be superior to the United States Fleet in capital ships, though they will have caught up with us by 1942.

Starting with the future and working backwards, we have the Lion and Temeraire, the two battleships authorised by the 1938 programme, but not yet ordered.

They will be of 40,000 tons—slightly smaller than the two unbuilt projected American ones—and will carry 10in. guns.



THEN last year we laid down the five I have mentioned, which are known as the King George V. type. They consist of the King George V., the Prince of Wales, Anson, Jellicoe, and Beatty, which will be 35,000-tonners, mounted with 14in. guns and 21in. torpedo tubes, and will carry aircraft. It is officially stated that "their anti-aircraft armament will be extensive," but I cannot yet tell you their speed.

Then we come to the latest battleships in commission, the Nelson and Rodney, twins, both just under 34,000 tons.

These are of course, the most powerful battleships in the world, which is not surprising as they each cost £7,500,000 to build, and the annual cost of their maintenance in full commission is approximately £350,000.

It is interesting to note that they are the only ships in any Navy with torpedo tubes of more than 21in. The range of their guns is 17½ sea miles, and the cost of firing one triple salvo is £700. (In the event of war, taxpayers please note!)

Next in order of seniority we come to our three battle cruisers, the Hood, Renown, and Repulse, of which the latest is the Hood, completed in 1920—the most powerful battle cruiser in the world. She was built under the War Emergency Programme at a cost of £6,000,000, or £145 per ton, as she is 42,000 tons.



THE Renown and Repulse are smaller, 32,000 tons. Next are the five Royal Sovereign class, the Ramillies, Royal Sovereign, Royal Oak, Revenge, and Resolution, completed in 1916-17.

And finally we have the five good old ships of the Queen Elizabeth class—of Jutland fame—the Queen Elizabeth, Malaya, Valiant, Barham, and Warspite. They all carry four aircraft, with catapults, except Barham, which carries one.

These ships cost £3,000,000 to build originally, but since then they have been considerably altered and modernised.

We have five aircraft-carriers in commission, including the Ark Royal (just finished), and five building including the Implacable (just ordered). The new ones will be 23,000 tons—slightly bigger than the Glorious and Courageous—and they will each carry about 50 planes.

The United States Navy has only three carriers in commission and three building.

As for cruisers, we have 15 mounting 8in. guns, and 46 mounting 6in. guns, as well as 14 building, and seven ordered of these.

The United States has 10, mounting 8in. guns (one building) and 10 mounting 6in. guns (two not completed).

Of destroyers we have 187, and 32 building (most of which will be ready late next year), whereas the United States has 210 in commission and 35 being built.

Lastly we come to submarines, motor torpedo boats, and submarine chasers.

We have 52 submarines, and 12 building. America has 91, and 10 building. She has 15 submarine chasers, and we have 8 MATBs, and 24 building.

PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"We may as well be practical while teaching Junior to walk!"

and lorries are to be seen at all and lorries are to be seen at all the larger stations. The crops are better, there are cattle in the fields, and peasants are working on the land which was untilled before.

Much of this is probably accounted for by the new Soviet policy of sending divisions out to the East together with their womenfolk, and allotting to them on arrival certain tracts of land, which they are encouraged to cultivate for their own benefit.

Troops Trek to the East

SIX months ago there were said to be at least half a million Russian soldiers in Eastern Siberia. And to judge by our own experience, this number has been largely augmented recently. During the four days which our train takes to cross Siberia we pass on the average three trains an hour proceeding eastwards and carrying munitions, aeroplane parts, tanks, lorries, and motor-launches fitted with light armaments.

To this must be added one cavalry and one infantry division, plus various auxiliary troops.

It seems that the Soviet authorities intend Siberia to be a self-contained military area, for the railway from Manchuria to Omsk is double track, with tunnels and bridges doubled.

Roads are being built, houses are going up everywhere, cars

Anglo-French Forces Can Repel Japan

SINGAPORE PARLEY CONCLUSIONS

Huge London Fire Guts Warehouses

LONDON, June 27. THE entire fire fighting forces of the London County Council were to-night engaged in an effort to control a great conflagration in the heart of the City of London, the fire-danger zone resulting from a fire which broke out in a five-storey general warehouse on the corner of the Barbican and New Zealand Avenue, within a stone's throw of Aldersgate underground station.

Outside fire stations were urgently told to stand by in case of calls from other parts of the area since 59 L.C.C. stations sent men and appliances to the Barbican, where operations were directed by Major Jackson, acting chief officer.

Six giant water towers poured thousands of gallons water on to the fire which soon included eight great warehouses, of which four were rapidly gutted.

The whole of Aldersgate Street was within short time flooded to the depth of a foot. Solid sheets of flame swept from building to building, while a vast cloud of smoke rose high over the city.

The Post office in the Barbican was threatened by the encroaching blaze. When fire first started there were about 100 men and women in various buildings, and many of them had miraculous escapes from death by getting away over the roofs of other buildings, and thence through emergency fire exits. It is feared the damage will reach £1,000,000.—British Wireless.

"Biggest Fire" In London

London, June 27. What is believed to have been the biggest fire in the city of London since 1807 occurred in the Barbican, close to Fleet Street this evening.

The flames involved a mantle manufacturer's wholesale store, a jewellers and a milliners, and then leapt across the narrow New Zealand Avenue to a furnisher's warehouse.

Numerous women of the Auxiliary Fire Service, and workers anxious to gain experience of a really big fire enthusiastically assisted scores of regular fire engine teams.

Firemen, crawling like flies on the dizzy heights of the surrounding buildings, directed water on the furnace below until the streets were steaming, six inches deep.

The fire occurred after normal business hours when the buildings were mostly empty, but there were many dramatic escapes.

The total casualties were four injured.—Reuter Special.

Popularity Of Radio-Telegaph

Britain Makes Big Progress

LONDON, June 27. STRIKING observations on the improvement in the Post Office empire services were made by the Postmaster-General, Major Tryon to-day, when he addressed the Press Union Conference.

Dealing particularly with the transmission of messages by radiotelegraphy, Major Tryon mentioned that during the voyages of their Majesties nearly 17,000 words were transmitted from the Empress of Australia and the Empress of Britain to England.

The radio-telegraphic services of the Post Office too, continued to play a part in the transmission of news from Great Britain, and through its wireless stations at Rugby and Leafield, it transmitted British official press messages and Reuters' world press messages which were simultaneously received by a number of overseas countries.

These messages had shown an increase in volume which reflected their increased importance in these critical times. The number of words handled by these stations on behalf of Reuters now exceeded 60,000 a month.

Empire Services Improve

The Empire radio-telephone services were also improving and were being extended, and in consultation with the authorities in the Dominions, the Post Office had been able to

Big Revenue Deficit

LONDON, June 27.

EXCHEQUER returns show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £135,975,327, compared with £125,355,636 at the corresponding date last year.

Total ordinary expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £262,926,293, compared with £221,795,676 at the corresponding date of 1938.—British Wireless.

Anglophile Passes

Japanese Who Was Friend Of Britain

TOKYO, June 28.

THE DEATH has occurred at the age of 78 of Baron Gonsuke Hayashi, diplomat and Privy Councillor.

Former Japanese Ambassador to London during the war, Baron Hayashi was a staunch friend of Britain, and he held the British honours of Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George, and the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order.—Reuter.

Born in March, 1860, Baron Hayashi graduated from the Law College, Tokyo Imperial University in 1887. He was chief of the Commerce Affairs Bureau, and became Ambassador to Italy. He was later Minister to China and Ambassador to Britain.

He was Grand Master of Ceremonies and went to England as adviser to H. I. H. Prince Chichibu in 1923. In 1934 he went to Manchukuo as attendant to the special envoy H. I. H. Prince Chichibu.

SEATTLE, June 27.—The British freighter *Hannington*, which moved from Tacoma to Seattle to load scrap iron for Japan has been held up again when longshoremen have refused to pass a picket line of Chinese sympathizers.—United Press.

reduce the rates from time to time on certain services, particularly to India and South Africa.

Major Tryon said he had hoped to say something definite regarding the scheme put forward by the Post Office, and supported by the Empire Press Union for a reduction in existing postage rates for newspapers and magazines exchanged with countries within the Empire, but he regretted that some considerable time must elapse before a final decision was reached.

Mentioning that this week marked the second anniversary of the inauguration of the Empire air mail scheme to East Africa and South Africa, Major Tryon said that he hoped before very long that the South African services would increase from two to three a week.

Six tons of air mail a week were at present carried on the Africa route and 13 tons a week on the India and Australia route.—Reuter Special.

SINGAPORE, June 27.

IT IS understood that the Anglo-French defence conference came to the conclusion that the combined British and French forces would be sufficient to repel effectively a strong Japanese sea or air attack on British or French possessions in South China.

One of the principal factors of Singapore's impregnability would be the distances of Japanese bases from Indochina and although Nanking might be a threat, so far Japan has not attempted to fortify the island.

It is believed that the conference also reached the conclusion that Singapore would be the safest base for the repair and rest of British and French warships and aircraft, although the distance from Japan would restrict its offensive value.

It is expected that the reinforcements of the fleets and airforces at Malaya and Indo-China will be expedited, and that the British will decide that the China and East Indies naval squadrons and the Royal Indian Navy will operate as one force in close liaison through Singapore with the Australian and New Zealand navies.—United Press.

Japan's True Aims

London, June 28.

General Hubert Gough in a letter to the "Daily Telegraph" declares that it has been quite plain for several years to everyone who has kept in touch with the Far East, that Japan's aims are not limited to political and economic domination in China. This is merely the first step.

Japan's real object is the creation of a vast empire in Asia and the Pacific, principally at our expense, though other nations will be involved.

She aims eventually at taking India and Australia, and we must take up this challenge. We hold good cards in our hands, and we must have courage and resolution to play them.

We can strongly reinforce the fleet at Singapore because the combined British and French fleets are able to safeguard our interests in the North Sea and the Mediterranean, and still leave enough free to send a powerful squadron to Singapore.

Additionally, every possible assistance should be offered to China to help her organise her armies and to throw out the Japanese forces entirely from the country.

Finally, closing the doors of trade with Japan, especially if America will join in, would deliver to her a heavy, perhaps mortal blow.—Reuter.

Philippines Defence

Manila, June 28.

In response to a query from the Press, General MacArthur, United States Army Commander in Chief in the Philippines, to-day reiterated his confidence in the defensibility of an independent Philippines following the fulfilment of his 10-year defence programme.

The Press query was the aftermath of Mr. Paul McNutt's references to the menaces attendant upon the Philippines being granted their independence.

General MacArthur did not mention Mr. McNutt's references, but for the first time he specifically mentioned Japan.

He admitted that "many imponderable questions" are involved, but at the same time he said it is now possible to accurately estimate any Philippines enemy's strength which can be "more than matched by the Philippines nation."

What It Would Cost

"In my opinion it would cost an enemy at least half a million casualties and upward of five billion dollars to attack the Islands with any hope of success," he declared.

General MacArthur said: "Napoleon sagely said he never fought unless he felt he had 70 per cent. chance of victory. No such percentage would exist in such a struggle . . . A Japanese blockade would be practically not feasible without a tacit agreement with other nations surrounding the Pacific.

"It would be foolhardy for Japan to attempt an overseas campaign unless she is assured beforehand of the neutrality or even the acquiescence of other interested powers."

The General also expressed the opinion that the possession of the Philippines would strategically weaken the Japanese Empire and further expressed the belief that it is an erroneous assumption that Japan covets the Philippines.

More Trade With South America

London, June 27.

Mr. Oliver Stanley stated in the House of Commons to-day that everything possible had been done to promote trade between Britain and South America.

United Kingdom manufactures to South America had increased from £21,000,000 in 1932 to £35,000,000 in 1938.—Reuter Special.

H.K. Property Acquired By Japanese

Our picture shows the property acquired by a prominent Japanese publisher for the purpose of starting a Japanese newspaper, published in English. The building, which is on the Praya at present houses "Reuter's" and the German Club.



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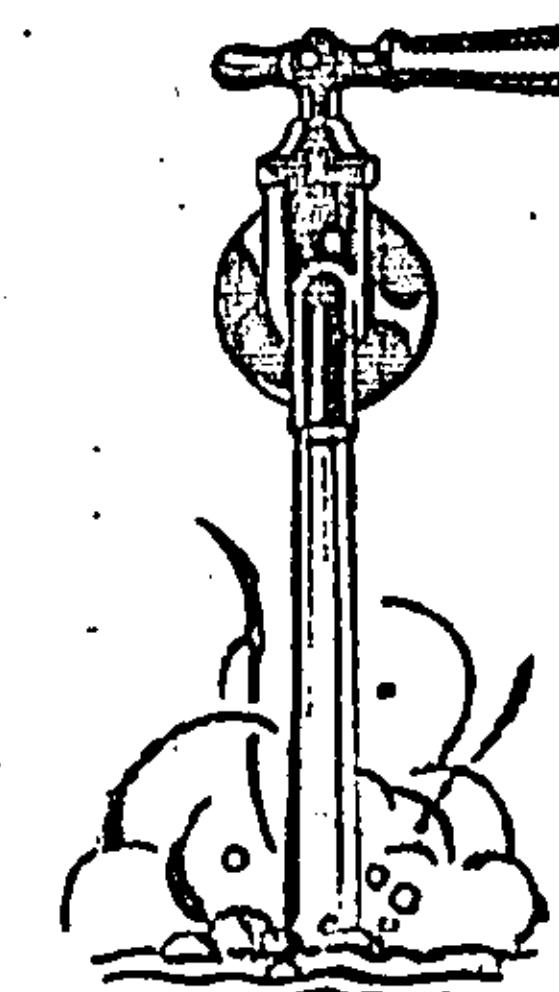
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Earlier, in direct examination, Buckner testified that he and Turner went to Hollywood and interested Nola Hahn, nightclub owner, who telephoned to Quezon's home and then said, "the President has assured him of his cooperation." Malone protested that this was not evidence, that the call had not been made, but "some person representing himself as Quezon" had talked.

Loretta Young

Buckner said he did not take any further part in the Hollywood search because he was interested in some

LADIES' SINGLES EVENT COMMENCES AT WIMBLEDON

ENGLAND WINS FIRST TEST BY 8 WICKETS

George Headley Scores A Century In Each Innings

Despite a splendid effort by George Headley, who scored 107, the West Indies were dismissed for only 225 in their second innings in the First Test match at Lord's yesterday, and England obtained the necessary runs for victory with eight wickets in hand.

This was Headley's second century in the match as he made 106 out of 277 in the tourists' first innings.

England declared at Monday's overnight score of 404 for five wickets, and therefore required only 99 runs in the second knock.

At one stage of the match, the West Indies appeared to have a good chance of forcing a draw, but apart from Headley no-one else in the side was able to face the hostile English bowlers.

London, June 27. England declared at their overnight total of 404 for five wickets this morning on the third day of the First Test against the West Indies, holding a lead of 127 runs on the first innings scores.

At the lunch interval the visitors had lost three wickets for 117.

Stollmeyer and Grant opened the second innings of the visitors, and without a run being scored Stollmeyer was caught by Verity off Copson.

Headley and Grant made matters lively until 42 was reached, when Grant was bowled by Bowes. The retiring batsmen contributed 23.

Sealey joined Headley and the partnership produced 63 runs, when the newcomer, who had made 29, was caught by Wood off Copson.

Weekes was next man in and he had six runs to his credit at the lunch interval, Headley being 54 not out, and the total 117 for 3.

Headley played like a master and he, with the other players, stood up extremely well in a grand fight against the strong England attack.

WEEKES DISMISSED
After lunch, Headley and Weekes took the score to 154, at which stage the latter snicked a ball from Verity into the hands of Wood behind the wicket. Weekes had contributed 10. Constantine then came out to join Headley, who was batting splendidly. Playing very orthodox cricket, Constantine was taking no chances whatsoever at the start, but with the total standing at 190, he was caught by Hammond off Verity. He and



CAREY
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SPLENDID BOWLING BY SMAILES IN COUNTY CRICKET

London, June 27. Smiales, who finished sixth in Yorkshire's bowling averages for last season, made history to-day when he took all 10 Derbyshire wickets to dismiss them for 47 runs in their second innings against Yorkshire, who won by 276 runs, at Sheffield.

Yorkshire batted first but were all out for 83, George Pope taking 6 for 44, while Alfred Pope had 4 for 37. Derbyshire's triumph was short-lived, however, and they were skittled out in their first lease of the wicket for only 20 runs, Smathers taking 5 wickets for 7 runs and Smiales 4 wickets for 11 runs, extras being two!

Yorkshire fared much better in

for victory. At close of play, with the total 100 for two wickets, Paynter had 32 not out and Hammond 30 not out.

Scores:

SCORE BOARD

West Indies—1st Innings..... 277

England—1st Innings..... 277

H. Hutton, c Grant, b Hylton ... 190

A. F. Paynter, c Barrow, b Cameron ... 22

W. R. Hammond, c Grant, b

Cameron 14

D. Compton, c Stollmeyer, b

Clarke 120

J. Hardstaff, not out 3

A. Wood, not out 0

Extras 15

Total (for 5 wks. dec.) .. 404

Fall of wickets.—1 (Gimblett) for

49; 2 (Paynter) for 110; 3 (Ham-

mond) for 147; 4 (Compton) for 395;

5 (Hutton) for 402.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Martindale 20 2 80 0

Hylton 24 4 98 1

Constantine 13 0 67 0

Cameron 20 6 68 3

Clarke 6 0 28 1

Sealey 3 0 21 0

Grant 3 0 23 0

WEST INDIES—2nd INNS.

Stollmeyer, c Verity, b Copson .. 0

Grant, b Bowes 23

Headley, c Hutton, b Wright 107

Sealey, c Wood, b Copson 29

Weekes, c Wood, b Verity 10

Constantine, c Hammond, b

Verity 17

Cameron, c and b Wright 0

Banister, not out 6

Martindale, c Bowes, b Wright 3

Hylton, c Hardstaff, b Copson 13

Clarke, c and b Copson 0

Extras 11

Total 225

Fall of wickets.—1 (Stollmeyer) for

0; 2 (Grant) for 42; 3 (Sealey) for

105; 4 (Weekes) for 154; 5 (Constan-

tine) for 100; 6 (Cameron) for 199; 7

(Headley) for 200; 8 (Martindale)

for 204; 9 (Hylton) for 255; 10

(Clarke) for 226.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.

Bowes 19 7 44 1

Copson 10.4 2 67 4

Wright 17 0 75 3

Verity 14 4 20 2

Compton 3 0 8 0

England—2nd INNS.

Hutton, b Hylton 16

Gimblett, b Martindale 20

Paynter, not out 32

Hammond, not 30

Extras 2

Total (for 2 wks.) 100

Fall of wickets.—1 (Hutton) for 35;

2 (Gimblett) for 30.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. R. W.

Martindale 7.7 0 51 1

Hylton 7 1 36 1

Constantine 3 0 11 0

Kho Scratches From Men's Doubles

London, June 27. Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese Davis Cupper, who scratched from the singles at Wimbledon owing to a back injury, has also scratched from the men's doubles. His partner was to have been G. Lyttelton Rogers.—Reuter.

"SEEDED" PLAYER DEFEATED IN FIRST ROUND

London, June 27.

The second day of the Wimbledon Tennis Championships was favoured by brilliant sunshine, and was as usual chiefly reserved for the ladies. Queen Mary was again present and witnessed some of the best matches of the day.

The Polish champion, Mlle. Jadwiga Jadrzejowska, playing on the Centre Court in the opening match, defeated Madame Meulemeester, of Belgium, by 6-3, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.

Henner Henkel and George von Metaxa, the German pair, who headed the "seeded" list, scored an easy victory over Freshwater and de Manby, of Britain, by 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

There was a sensation on the Centre Court when the 17-year-old English "seeded" player Miss Jenn Nicoll, making her first appearance at Wimbledon, was defeated by a completely unknown English player, Miss Huntbach, by 6-0, 4-6, 2-6.

Mrs. Alice Marble, of the United States, who is favoured to win the women's title, got through to the second round by beating Mrs. Kirk, the veteran French pair, and Roderich Menzel and Goepfert, of Germany. The Frenchmen succeeded after nearly two hours by scores of 2-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

FULL RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S TIES

The following results of yesterday's matches at Wimbledon are cabled by Trans-Ocean.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (FIRST ROUND)

Miss Hamilton (Britain) beat Miss Underwood (Britain) 6-2, 7-5.

Miss Curry (Britain) beat Miss Durlack (Britain) 6-3, 10-8.

Miss Paquet (France) beat Mrs. Goodwin (England) 6-0, 6-0, 6-3.

Miss Mary Hardwick (Britain) beat Miss Thomas (Britain) 10-8, 6-3.

Miss Sarah Pritchard (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Noell (Britain) 6-2, 6-0.

Miss Jean Noell (Britain) beat Mrs. Thomson (Britain) 6-2, 6-0.

Miss Sergeant (Britain) beat Miss

Harriet (England) 6-0, 6-2.

Miss Burrowes Sergeant, the York-

shire county player, caused a sur-

prise by eliminating Miss Mary

Whitmarsh by 4-6, 7-5, 8-6.

In the men's doubles, Edwards and

Morton (China) beat Bayliss and

Bayley (Britain) by 6-3, 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

He was agile and good in his inter-

ceptions at the net, where he made

some strong smashes, but Bayley was

not impressive apart from his strong

service.

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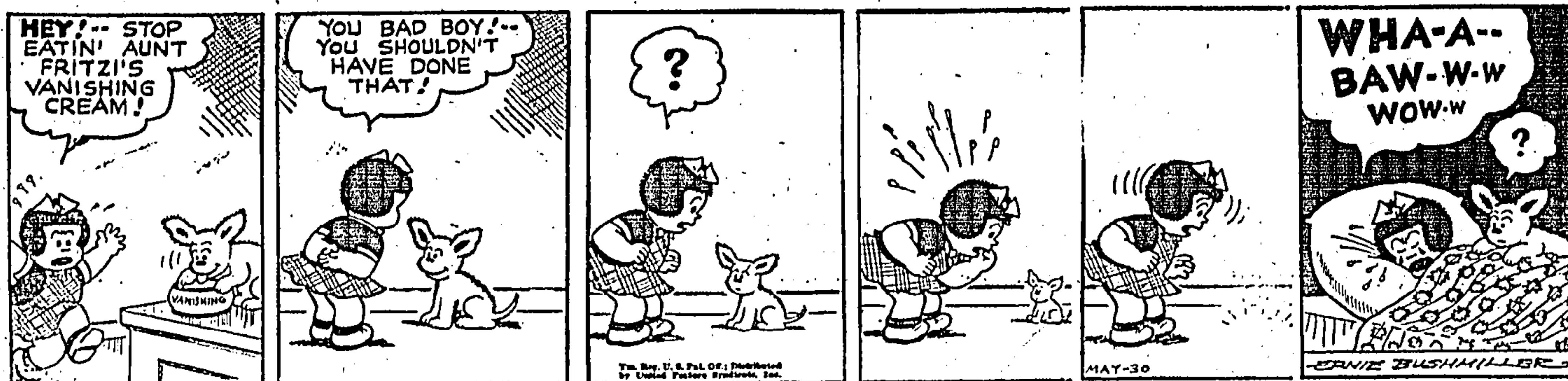
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A NARROW WIN FOR CAMBRIDGE ATHLETES

Bennett's Double Against
A.A.A.: A.G.K. Brown Scores
In The Quarter And Half

By Bevill Rudd

London, May 29.
Cambridge University (Past and Present) beat a strong A.A.A. team at Fenners by 73-67, after a thrilling match.

After nine of the 14 events the A.A.A. led by 54-36. Then Cambridge got the first two places in the discus, the weight, the high jump and the three miles, so that with one event—the quarter-mile—to go the scores were level at 60 all.

A. G. K. Brown, who had previously won the half-mile easily in 2 min., ran the quarter for Cambridge in place of J. C. Horsfall. He and the President, R. A. Palmer, ran the A.A.A. men off their legs. Brown won in 49.5 sec.

Palmer had earlier in the afternoon won the 440 yards hurdles in his stride in 57.2 sec. He had at least two seconds in hand, and already I can tell him confidently to be the best man in Great Britain at this event for the championships on July 8.

A. W. Sweeney (A.A.A.) was short of training, and he found R. W. Loader (Cambridge) too fast for him in the 200 yards. In the 100 yards Loader was in front at half-way, but Sweeney's powerful speed was very effective over the last 30 yards, and he won by the best part of a yard in 10.1 sec.

F. Close (A.A.A.) showed remarkably fine form in the mile, winning as he pleased in 4 min. 20.8 sec., but in the three miles the A.A.A. men were no match for C. A. J. Emery and P. D. Ward. The first mile was run in 4 min. 52 sec., the second in 5 min., and the third in 4 min. 43 sec. Emery was irresistible over the last lap.

A.A.A. 1st AND 2nd IN HURDLES

The A.A.A. with E. J. C. Higgins and R. Dunstan were first and second in the hurdles. Higgins winning in 15.5 sec. The Cambridge first string, L. D. Empson, fouled his first hurdle and lost several yards. R. A.

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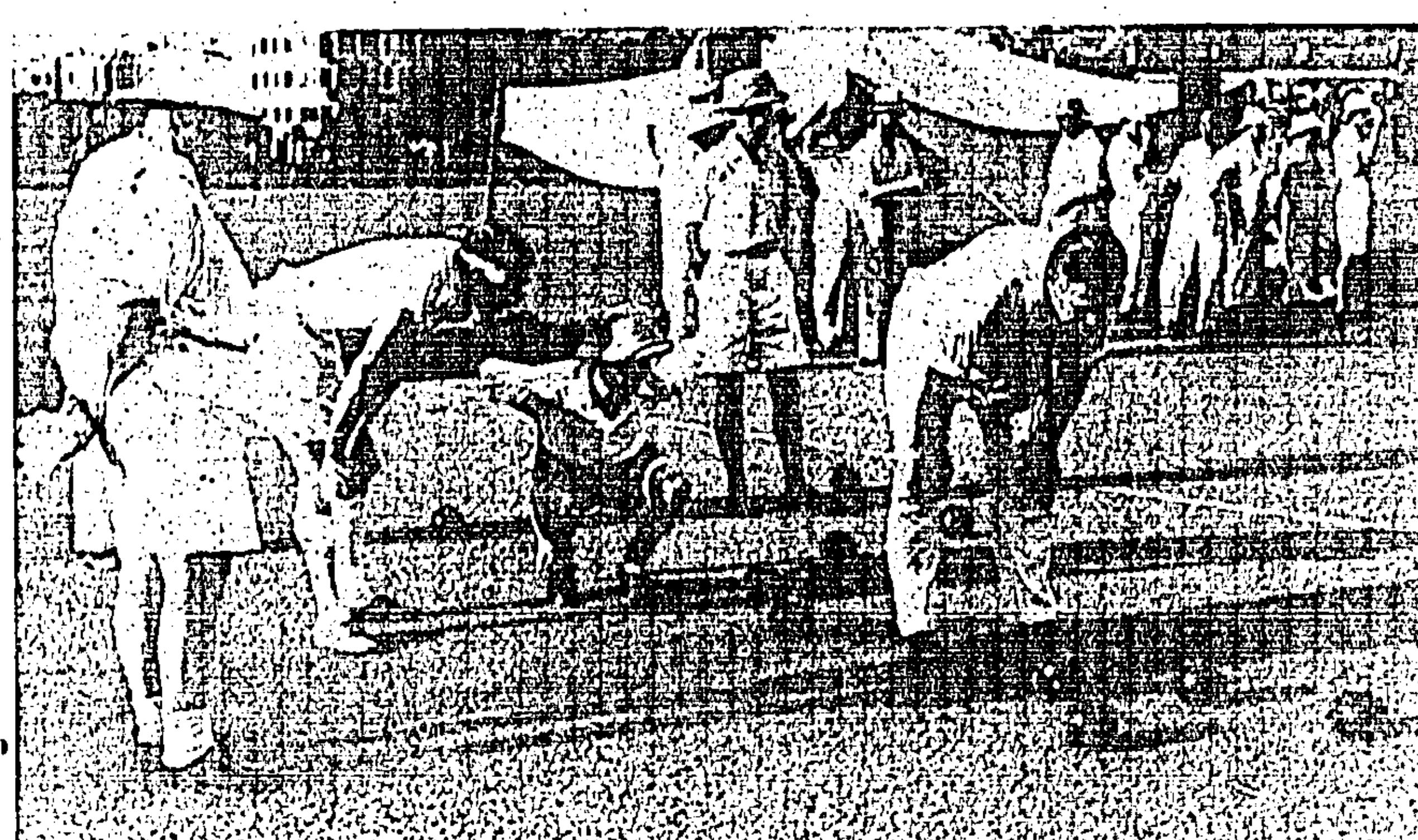
The following have been selected to represent Victoria Recreation Club in a Water-Polo League match against Chinese Bathing Club tomorrow at the Club's Pool at 8.15 p.m.

M. M. de V. Soares; S. V. Gittins and N. Delgado; D. H. Taylor; R. Silva-Neto, D. Hutchinson and A. J. Hussain. Reserve, W. Sprinke.

Durban Spurns German Tender

LONDON, June 27.—The Durban municipal authorities have accepted a tender from a British firm for the supply of telephone cables, although the tender was 65 per cent. higher than that of a competing German firm, according to a report received here.

It is recalled that a similar affair which recently occurred at Cape Town led to a protest by the German Minister to South Africa.—Trans-Ocean.



An incident in the Bowls League at Happy Valley last Saturday. F. H. W. Haynes is seen anxiously watching his skip's wood rolling up after the jack has been shifted.—Staff Photographer.

Here And There With "Abe"—

Kho Sin-Kie's Bad Luck At Wimbledon: Surprise Defeat Of Chinese R.C.

ALL eight "seeded" players in the men's singles—H. W. Austin, Bobby Riggs, Donald McNeill, Elwood Cooke, Roderich Menzel, F. Puncic, I. Tloczynski and Henner Henkel—got through their first round matches at Wimbledon with comparative ease. Of these, Austin, one of the two favourites to win the title, had the hardest fight of the lot, his opponent, the 18-year-old Hungarian Davis Cupper, J. Asboth, taking him to 22 games in the third and last set. According to Reuter, Austin showed that he needed a lot more match practice, and for this his recent visit to the United States on behalf of the Moral Re-Armament movement is probably responsible. The most one-sided match in the round was that between J. Pallada, of Yugoslavia, and J. C. Warboys, of Great Britain, the former winning without loss of a single game. Henkel, the German player, was also seen in another peculiar match. Up against young F. J. Piercy, of Great Britain, Henkel had to fight every inch of the way. In the first set, which he clinched in the 16th game, the next two sets then became one-sided as the first had been close, and the German won without conceding another game. The three leading Americans—Bobby Riggs, who is the first favourite with Austin, Donald McNeill, who recently won the French championships, and Elwood Cooke—all three "seeded" players—won their matches comfortably.

Kho's Bad Luck

BECAUSE no explanation was given, we in Hongkong wondered why Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese Davis Cupper, and winner of the last two Bournemouth tennis championships, had not been "seeded." Yesterday a cable came through to the effect that he had conceded a walk-over to his opponent in the first round as he had not recovered from the torn back muscle which he sustained while winning the Priory Tournament. It will be recalled that on June 1, Kho met M. Tanasescu, of Rumania, in the final of the Priory Tournament at Birmingham, and won by scores of 1-6, 7-5, 6-2. In winning this match, the challenge bowl became his property as it was his third successive win in the tournament, but in doing so he was then reported to have strained his back. Kho, who also reached the final of the men's doubles and the mixed doubles, was unable to take further part in the tournament after he and his partner, R. Ritchie, had lost 6-0 in the opening set against Denys Coombe and G. E. Malfroy. His injury was then thought to be just a strain, but it turned out to be a torn back muscle. It was probably for this reason that he had not

been "seeded." I see that W. C. Choy, the Davis Cupper, only got through after dropping the first two sets to R. F. Egan, of Eire. So far this year, Choy has not yet lost to an Englishman in match play, and his form has been so good that he is expected to go far unless he plays as badly as he apparently did on Monday. The third Chinese in the tournament, J. H. Ho, was eliminated and with Kho out of it, the Chinese banner will be borne by Choy alone.

Defeat At Last

AFTER seven years of continuous success, the Chinese R.C. were surprisingly defeated in the "A" Division of the Tennis League by the South China A.A. on Monday. Like all good things, I suppose even this record-breaking winning streak must end sometime—but I certainly did not expect it to end this season when the C.R.C. have so many splendid players to call upon. On Monday, the C.R.C. had their full team out; yet they lost by the odd set. Plague was added to the result by the fact that the South China team, although strengthened by the inclusion of W. T. Wang, a former national champion, did not have the services of Tenie Kwok, one of their best men. The King's Park players are to be congratulated on their performance. Not since 1931 have the Chinese R.C. been beaten in this division. In that year, they were defeated by the Indian R.C. who went on to win the championship. The Indians then had C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbay who, together with their Rumjahn cousins, were almost certain of getting at least five sets in every match.

Title Fight

THAT long-awaited fight for the world's heavyweight title between Joe Louis, holder, and Tony "Two-Ton" Galento, takes place at the Yankee Stadium to-night. For the mere fact that the fight had been arranged, Geoffrey Simpson recently paid tribute to the Galento "brain trust." "If ever a man was ballyhooed into championship fixture, it has happened in this case," said Simpson, who is not alone in this opinion. Others also think that on fighting merit alone Galento had not yet done enough to justify being matched with the champion. There are others, not worthy of consideration. But the "brain trust" has done its work well. Galento has had his picture taken with a cigar in his mouth and a mug of beer in each hand. He has shown his "juicy chest" in his bat. The Galento trust even employs a man to utter snappy sayings for Tony to utter. The beer-guzzling angle is a gag; so

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Social Evening Held At Chinese Recreation Club

Many members and their friends were present at the Chinese Recreation Club at Causeway Bay last night, when a social evening was given by the Hongkong Y's Men's Club. The occasion was taken to perform the Club's "Initiation" ceremony on a number of new members.

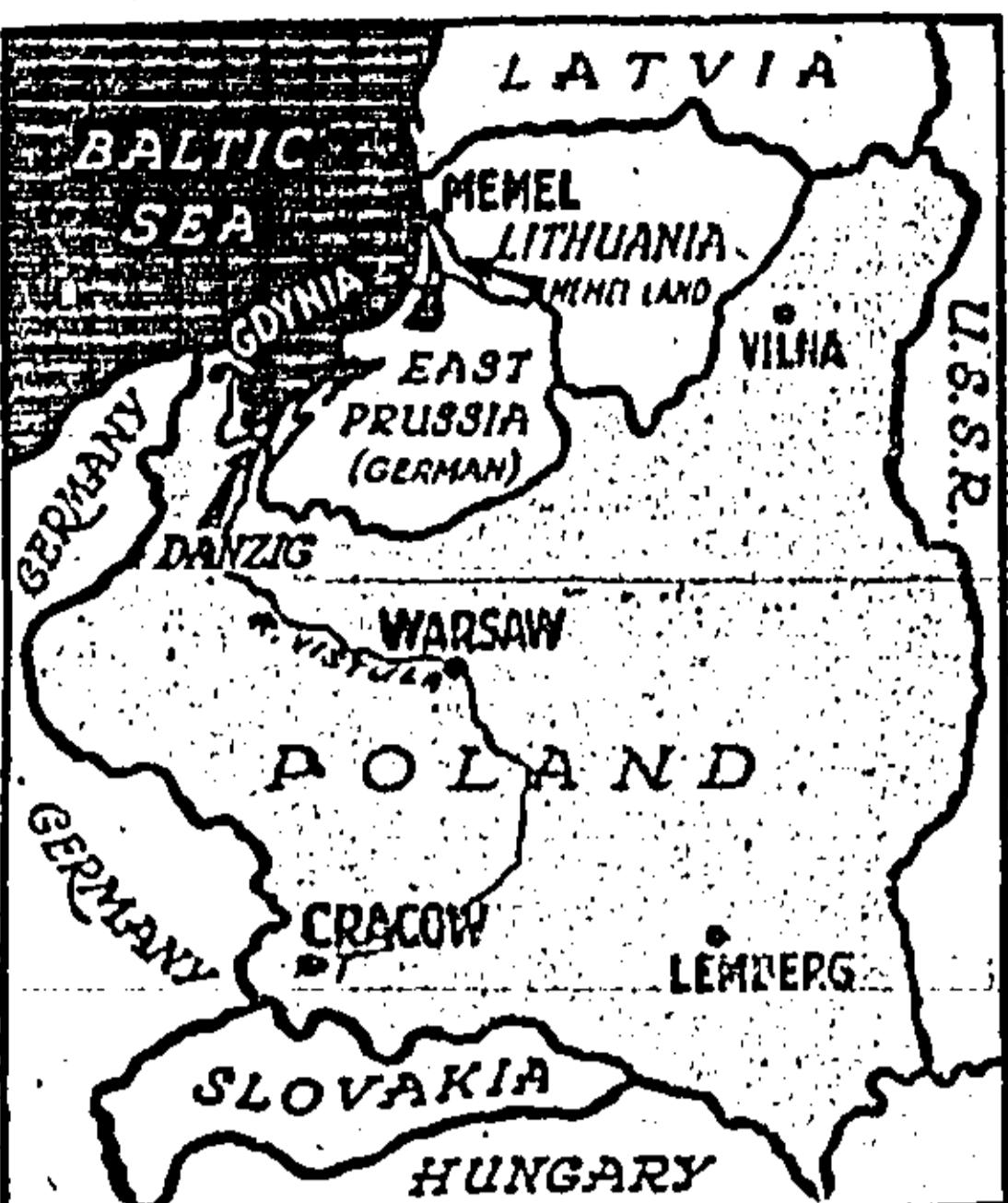
The ceremony was carried out by D. F. I. Tseng, assisted by Dr. Li Shui-pui and Mr. W. Yinson Lee. Those who were initiated were Messrs. T. T. Poon, Li Sul-wing, Ho Shui-que, A. V. Wong and Albert Yuen.

Entertainment was provided during the evening by Messrs. H. D. Loung, who performed some conjuring tricks, and S. C. Tong who demonstrated a "feet circus."

Mr. Yinson Lee addressed the gathering and stressed the objects of the Club were fellowship, culture and service.

LOOK at the map and you will see why there is a Polish "problem." Separating Germany from her province of East Prussia is Pomorze—the famous Polish "corridor" to the sea which Poles insist is vital to their country's economic life. Pomorze, with other territory populated mainly by Poles, was taken from Germany after the Great War when Poland, which had been deleted from the map of Europe since 1795, was reborn.

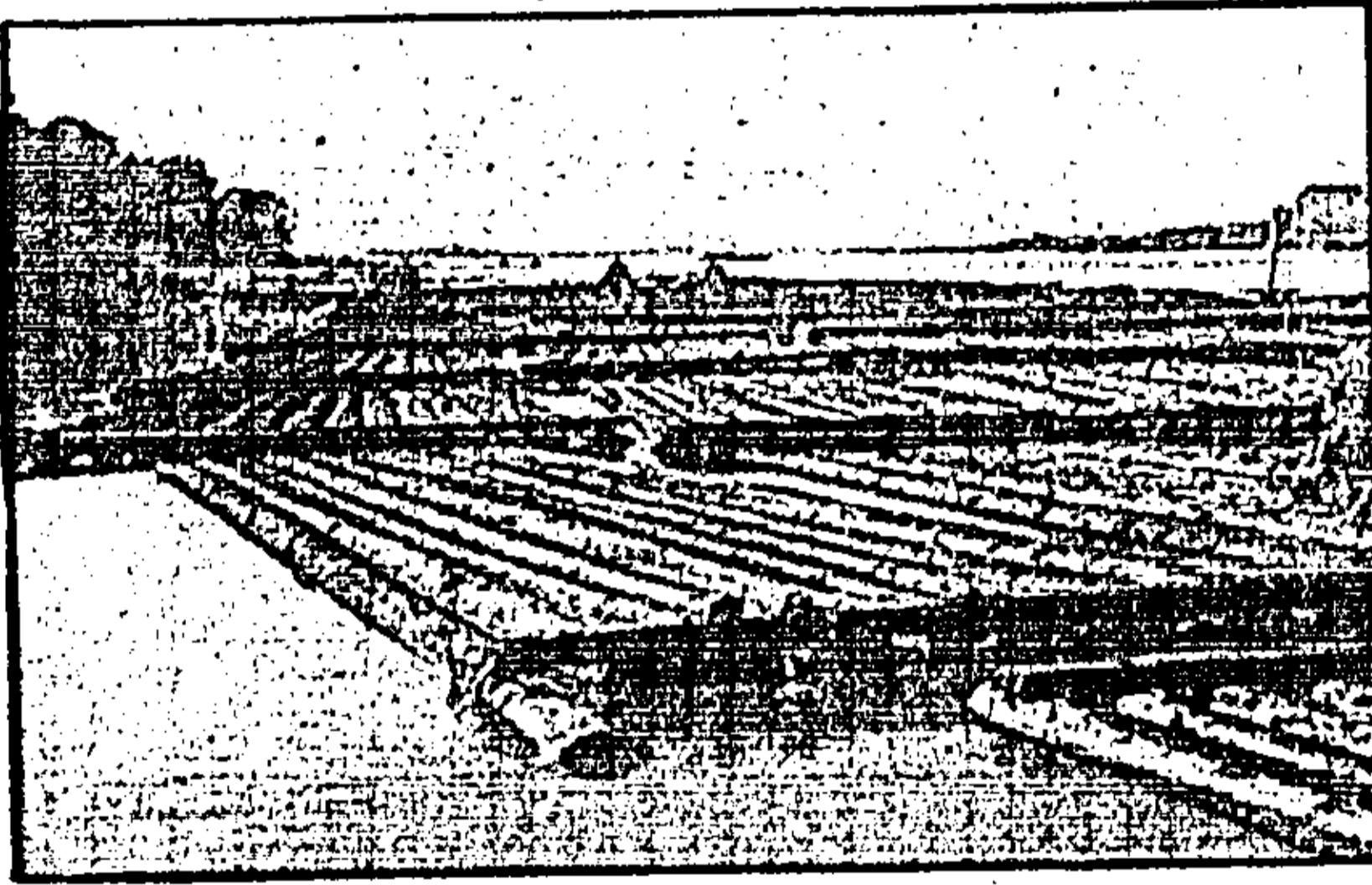
For centuries the Kingdom of Poland was one of the most important States in Europe. Gradually, however, it became reduced in size. Three times it was "partitioned" among Russia, Germany and Austria, until finally it ceased to exist. The Poles' chance came with the Great War. The Polish nationalist Piłsudski raised a Polish army, declared Poland's independence. That independence was recognised by the Treaty of Versailles and modern Poland was created. Its area is 150,413 square miles and its population 32,347,000—more than half as big again as the British Isles, with about three-quarters of the population. The majority of the inhabitants are engaged in agriculture, but important industries have been developed.



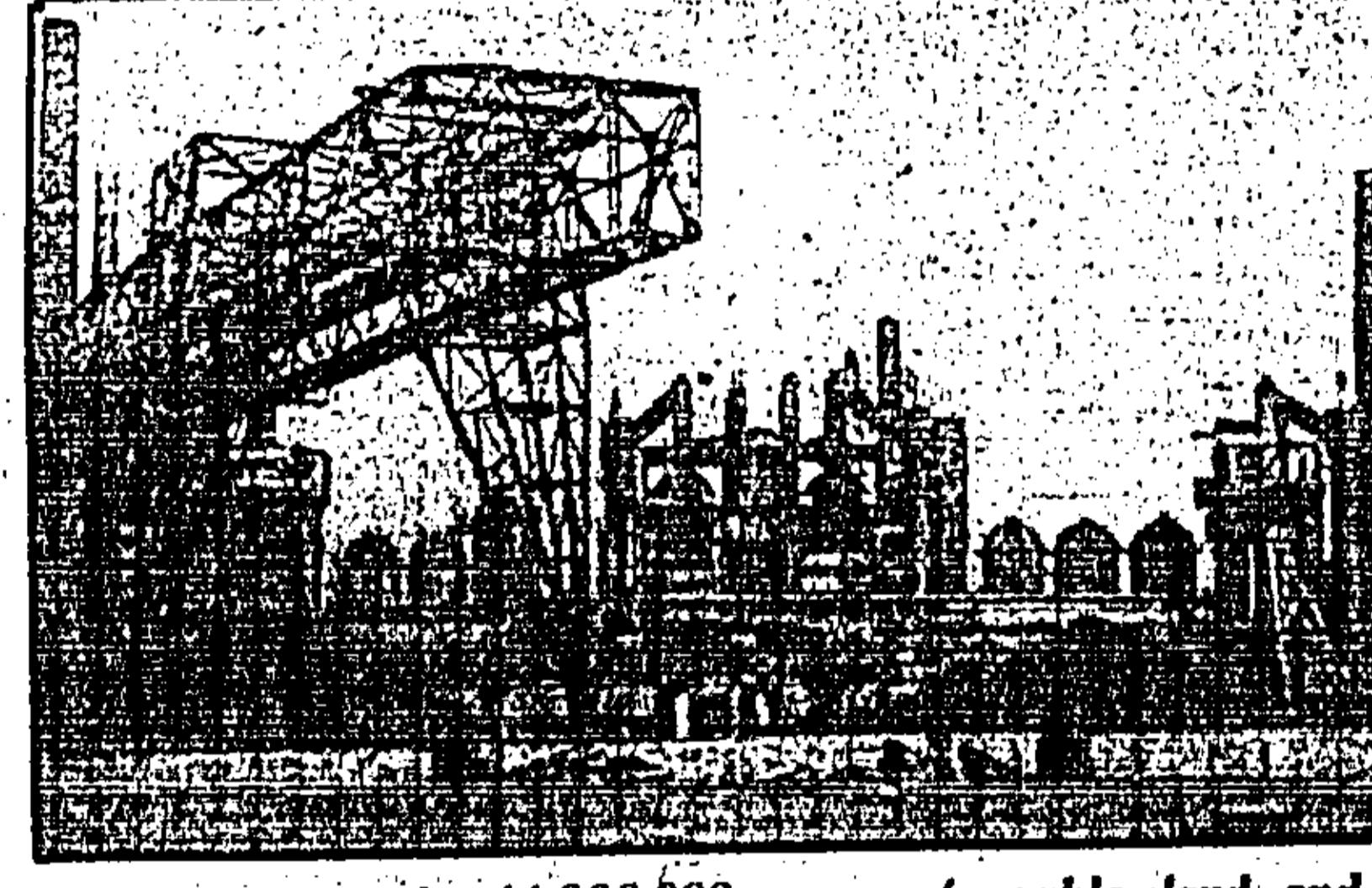
Here are some of Poland's electorate. On the left, sturdy peasant women have brought farm produce to the market



place of Lemberg in the Ukraine, which was taken from Russia. In the centre a fur-capped trader chaffers with prospective customers in a Warsaw street market. Stepping out briskly on the right are the athletic mountaineers from the Carpathians in their gay red and green embroidered cloaks.



The River Vistula, 630 miles long, emptying into the Baltic at Danzig, is Poland's chief waterway. In the past most of the fur and grain exported to Europe was carried on its waters. Even now you can see great lumber rafts floating down. There



are approximately 44,000,000 acres of arable land and 22,000,000 acres of forests in Poland. In the south-west, coal-mining, in the rich Silesian fields, is carried on and busy foundries like this are to be seen. In the west is more smelt-



ing. Warsaw and district produce textiles. But the greater part of the country is given up to agriculture, and scenes such as that above are common on the vast farms that stretch for miles on the plains of Galicia and the Ukraine.

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELLES DES
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Steamship

"CHIENONCEAUX"

16/A/30.
Bringing Cargo from Marseilles
via Saigon arrived Hongkong on
Saturday, 24th June, 1939.

Consignees are hereby informed
that their goods with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables
are being landed and stored into the
Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon,
whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me
on or before 5th July, 1939, or they
will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined
by the Company's Surveyor
Messrs.—Goddard and Douglas—in
the presence of the Consignees at
10.00 a.m. on Friday, 30th June, 1939.

Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when any dutiable
goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected
by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1939.

CANTON AGENTS

for

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WM. FARMER & CO.

Victoria Hotel Building.

Shameen, Canton.

Tel. 13501.



Unlike most mining districts in this country, in Warsaw, the capital, of course, there the mining villages of Poland are often set in fine modern buildings and the very latest things in telephones, as this young Pole, in a glass kiosk, would tell you.



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BEETLES, MOTHS, FLIES etc. even BUGS
BUT IT MUST BE KEATING'S

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Powder on picture rails,
crackles, corners, under
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Leaves no smell.

**COUNT THE
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The Poles are a jolly race, as you can see from these happy peasant girls in their colourful national dress making light of their task of grinding grain. The news boy who carried the news of Colonel Beck's speech to the people of Warsaw does not seem worried either.

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TO-DAY ONLY AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 P.M.

A BRILLIANT SUCCESS
AS A LAWYER ..A Dismal Failure As
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ALSO SCREEN SNAPSHOTS,

KRAZY KAT CARTOON
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THRILLING PICTURE TAKEN FROM GOVERNMENT FILES!

An exciting drama of a boy and a girl thrust into a whirlwind of terrifying adventure, living a lifetime of thrills in one brief moment.

A DRAMA SO REAL IT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED TO YOU!

I betrayed the man I love!



66 Ambush

GLADYS SWARTHOUT - LLOYD NOLAN
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FRI. SAT. SUN. "HOLD THAT KISS" COMEDY RIOT.

Nicki Rooney, Maureen O'Sullivan, Dennis O'Keefe - 20 others

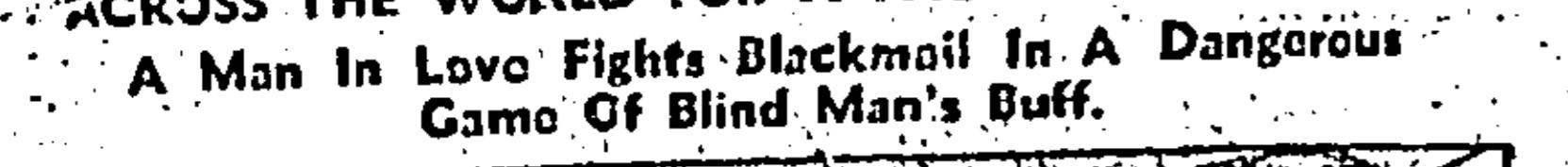
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ACROSS THE WORLD FOR A PACKET OF LETTERS!

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SHINING HOUR

Impersonation Of Police Not Proved Soldiers Guilty Of Larceny

FOUR British soldiers from the Middlesex Regiment appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on charges of impersonating police officers and the larceny of \$55.40. After evidence had been heard, Ward and Remer were found guilty of larceny, and the other two defendants were discharged on this count.

After registering convictions against Ward and Remer, for which they were ordered to pay to complainants the sum of \$15 and \$24.40 respectively, Mr. Hinsworth announced that he had decided to reopen the case against Remer on July 8.

Defendants were Private Stephen Vincent Ward, 27, and Private Arthur David Smith, both of "A" Company, and Private Aldred Jenkins, 21, and Private Louis Remer, both of "H" Company. Ward was additionally charged with assaulting Tsui Sat, 42, a P.W.D. cobbler.

Complainants were Kwok Chan, 24, Won Shing, 42, Tsui Sat and Tsang Kam, 36.

Sub-Inspector T. K. Whelan prosecuted, while Captain H. Marsh of the Middlesex Regiment appeared in Court for defendants.

At a previous hearing, evidence was given that the four defendants were alleged to have entered a shop in Shum Chun Street, told the complainants they were Police, and after a search, to have taken away \$55.40. Kwok Chan stated that he had \$24.40 taken from him, while Tsui Sat said \$15 was taken from him by Ward.

Sgt. H. J. Baldwin said he saw Ward and Smith at the Mongkok change room on June 17, and as a result of information given to him, he communicated with the Shamshui-po Barracks, and the other two defendants were sent to the Police Station. He later accompanied the four men back to the barracks, where they were searched in his presence. Ward had 21 cents in his possession, Smith had \$1.41, Jenkins had \$1, and Remer \$3.05.

No Impersonation

The case for the prosecution having concluded, Mr. Hinsworth said there was no evidence of impersonating the Police, but complainants may have thought defendants were Police. All defendants were found to have no case to answer on the first count, while Jenkins had also no case to answer on the charge of larceny.

A statement was made by Ward in which he said they passed a shop in Shum Chun Street while returning to barracks on June 17, and on seeing a crowd gathered around a table inside the shop, had stepped in to see what was going on, out of curiosity. They were chased out, and in trying to escape, fell into a nullah.

A similar story was told by Smith, while Remer said he had nothing else to say.

Captain Marsh said he would like to point out that on the charge of larceny, defendants had drawn various sums of money from the pay table on June 16. Ward had drawn \$1, while Smith and Remer had drawn \$5 each.

Regarding the charge of assault against Ward, Captain Marsh said he had visited the shop, and had noticed that the exit was rather narrow. "I suggest that Ward in attempting to get out did the same as everybody else. He forced his way out," said Captain Marsh.

Inspector Whelan said he had also visited the shop, and he suggested that Captain Marsh would agree with him that it was impossible to see what was going on in the shop from the street. Captain Marsh disagreed with this.

Continuing, Inspector Whelan said defendants could not possibly say what was going on inside before entering, and if gambling was going on there was no justification for their entry.

Not Wanted In Army

Ward and Remer were then found guilty on the charge of larceny, while Smith was discharged.

Captain Marsh said Ward's record was not very good, while Remer had an exemplary record in the Army. Captain Marsh also stated that if Ward was convicted, his services would not be required in the Army.

Both defendants were then bound over in the sum of \$50 to come up for judgment within 12 months, while Ward was ordered to pay \$15 compensation to Tsui Sat or in default three weeks' imprisonment. Remer was ordered to pay \$24.40 compensation or one month.

After sentence had been passed, one of the defendants said he had not taken the money, and he would not pay it.

Chinese Ratings Are Detained

The "Telegraph" understands that four Chinese ratings aboard H.M.S. Moth, which arrived from Canton yesterday, were arrested at the Kowloon Naval Yard shortly after they stepped ashore.

It is alleged that \$600 in Chinese silver coins was found in their possession.

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